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LAYMAN'S DAY OBSERVANCE PLANNED BY MANY CHURCHES

October 13 Is Southwide Date For Special Emphasis On Men

Scores of churches in all parts of Mississippi have indicated their purpose to observe "Layman's Day" on October 13. Layman's Day is placed in the calendar of the Southern Baptist Convention by the Convention itself. It is to be observed by all the churches over the South.

Turns Spotlight on Men

The observance of Layman's Day has only one objective: to interest and enlist men in the whole program of their church. This observance affords to churches and pastors a convenient method of intensifying their efforts to arouse and inspire, to enlist and to utilize their men.

Meets Definite Need

Secretary Cooke says, "On an average, not twenty-five per cent of our men attend the Sunday morning worship services; fewer go on Sunday night, and attendance upon the mid-week prayer meeting is negligible." He goes on to point out that not only does the church need more of the men in more of its work, but the men need the church, as well. Certainly all will agree that no man can reach his full Christian development or usefulness without close cooperation with his church. Layman's Day is simply one step in the long range program each church should have for the enlistment of all the men in all the work.

How to Observe

Definite suggestions for Layman's Day observance were carried in last week's Record and also have been (Continued on Page Two)

Cooperative Program Beyond \$3,000,000

Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary Southern Baptist Convention, Executive Committee

Undesignated receipts for the Cooperative Program have already exceeded \$3,000,000 in 1946. In spite of all special appeals and the generous response of Southern Baptists to them the undesignated gifts to Southwide objects are more than a half-million dollars ahead of the same period last year.

According to the action of the Southern Baptist Convention executive committee, ratified in the Miami Convention, a double budget for Southwide objects was adopted for this year. The first \$3,000,000 is to be used for current operating expenses by the agencies. All receipts beyond the (Continued on Page Two)

Southwide Brotherhood Secretary



LAWSON H. COOKE

Lawson H. Cooke has been for ten years Executive Secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South. His forceful leadership has been rewarded by great progress in Brotherhood work.

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District Meetings Centers Of Interest

George W. Schroeder, associate secretary in the Southwide Brotherhood office, Memphis, and one foreign missionary will make the principal addresses in each of the eight District Brotherhood meetings, which are to be held in late October and early November. The missionary who will speak in the first week of the conferences is H. P. McCormick, of Africa, whose home is in Brookhaven. The missionary speaker for the second week is R. Elton Johnson, missionary to Victoria, South Brazil.

Meeting Places Listed

The meeting place for District One is Terry Baptist Church, Rev. Thurman Booth, pastor. The date for this meeting is October 28. District Two will meet with the First Baptist Church, Greenville, Dr. E. D. Elliott, Pastor; and the date is November 8. Other districts will meet as follows: District Three, First Baptist Church, Water Valley, Dr. W. C. Howard, pastor, November 7; District Four, First Baptist Church, Tupelo, Dr. H. R. Holcomb, pastor, November 5; District Five, First Baptist Church, Columbus, Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor, November 4; District Six, South Side Baptist Church, Meridian, Dr. A. Es- (Continued on Page Two)

Dorothy Page

By Eldridge B. Hatcher

(Editor's note: Beginning with this issue, the Baptist Record presents to its readers in serial form the book, DOROTHY PAGE. The author is Dr. Eldridge B. Hatcher, for 14 years head of the Bible Department of Blue Mountain College. The Sunday School Board has graciously given permission for the publication of this book.)

Installment One

CHAPTER ONE

Dorothy Arrives

"You may see her tonight," said Mrs. Sterling to her son Gilbert.

"When does she arrive?"

"At six-twenty this afternoon. They

say, son, she is beautiful."

"From what point of the compass does the lovely paragon come?" asked Sterling with a smile.

"She has just graduated from some college in the North. Her father and mother went to be with her in the closing exercises and will bring her home today."

The subject of this conversation was Dorothy Page, whose palatial home was next door to the home of the Sterlings. The two families had become friends as well as neighbors.

"Come over this evening, Sterling, and help me to celebrate the arrival

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DR. NEWTON VISITS FAMOUS RUSSIAN CITIES

PASTOR PRESENTS CHALICE USED BY EARLY BAPTISTS

Newton Declares Russian Baptists Are N. T. Baptists

By Louie D. Newton,

President of the Southern Baptist Convention

Our first trip from Moscow to other Russian centers took us to Minsk, capital of Belorussia, sometimes referred to as White Russia. Minsk is a city which dates from 1037. Every hotel in Minsk was totally destroyed by the Germans, and the home in which we stayed was built many years ago by a rich merchant of Minsk as

his country estate.

Imagine my joy when I discovered that the caretaker of this beautiful farm home was a Baptist. He got me in touch immediately, by telephone, with the Baptist leaders in Minsk.

Brother Chesnev of Belorussia

I went to the Baptist meeting house, Ostravsky 2, where I talked at length with Brother Chesnev, the leader of our Baptist people in Belorussia for (Continued on Page Eleven)

Program Released For First Baptist State Music Convention, Oct. 11-12

Secretary Harrison Uses Large Personnel In Jackson Meet

The first of its kind in Mississippi, The Baptist State Music Convention will meet in Jackson, October 11-12 at the First Baptist church. The convention will be under the general direction of Luther A. Harrison, State Music Director of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

The first session is scheduled to begin at ten o'clock Friday morning, October 11. Among those scheduled for the morning program are: Prof. E. N. Elsey, Mrs. E. N. Elsey, the Mississippi College Quartet, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Miss Hazel Chisolm, Kuther A. Harrison, Mrs. Katherine McElroy, Miss Virginia Hoogenakker and Dr. D. A. McCall.

The following will appear on the afternoon program which will convene at 1:15. W. C. Morgan, Mrs. W. L. Compere, the Blue Mountain Quartet, Rev. C. B. Hamlett III, Hines Sims, Mrs. O. M. Jones, Auber J. Wilds, the Jackson Choral Club and Dr. Harry



LUTHER A. HARRISON

L. Martin.

A feature of the afternoon program (Continued on Page Two)

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DOROTHY PAGE

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of the family," called out Roland Page from his porch.

Sterling agreed.

At half past eight o'clock, as he entered the library of the Page home, he looked upon what seemed to him the most beautiful girl his imagination had ever pictured. He knew in a moment that he was a captive. As he walked down the front steps after his visit he felt sure that an epoch in his life had occurred.

"A splendid young fellow!" remarked Mr. Page after Sterling had left. "Although he is only twenty-nine years of age, he has in his own right a cool two million-dollar fortune. He inherited it from his father and he himself is one of the most progressive business men in the state and seems bent on using his fortune for the good of society."

"He was very quiet," remarked Dorothy.

Mr. Page's statements concerning Sterling were very true. He might have added that Sterling was an elder in the Presbyterian church and was one of its most devoted members.

Sterling found his mother in the sitting-room on his return home that night.

"Well son," she said, "how do you like your new neighbor?"

"Mother, don't ask me to describe her," he replied; and then for half an hour he continued talking about her. Before retiring he said:

Mother, how is it that I have never been told about Miss Page before?"

"Well, son, I have known very little myself. The Pages, you know, have lived here less than a year and Dorothy has never been here before. A few days before Mrs. Page left to bring Dorothy home she told me a good many things about her."

"How long was Miss Page at the college?"

"Three years. The Pages were born in Virginia, but when Dorothy was six years old the father, because of failing health, purchased a large ranch in the West and he moved his family there and became very prosperous."

"She is a child, therefore, of the South and West," said Sterling.

"Yes, she has Southern blood and Western experience. Mrs. Page said their home was ten miles from the nearest store and the nearest neighbor was seven miles distant."

"That must have been a dismal life for Dorothy. You say she lived on the plains from six years of age until three years ago, when she went to the college? Did she have no other schooling?"

"Oh, yes. Her education was directed at home by a governess of unusual culture and refinement. I learned also from Mrs. Page that none of the family make any pretensions to religion, and that the governess was as irreligious as they."

"What a home!"

"She said that there was no church near them in the West and that Dorothy had never been in a church up to the time she went off to the college, and that she doubted if she had ever attended church while there."

"You make her out a wild girl of the plains," remarked Sterling with a smile. "I could easily see the traces of it tonight in her open, eager, almost wild manner, and yet through it all

DISTRICT MEETINGS CENTERS OF INTEREST

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tus Mason, pastor, November 1; District Seven, First Baptist Church, Biloxi, Dr. G. C. Hodge, pastor, October 31; District Eight, East McComb, McComb, Rev. H. P. Porter, pastor, October 29. The meeting time for all of these districts, except District Three, is 6:30 p.m. A meal is to be served by the host church in each case except Water Valley. There the meeting will begin at 7:00 and no meal will be served. There will be no afternoon sessions this year. It is hoped, however, that the men from places distant from the meeting place will make a special effort to be present for the beginning of the conference program.

Large Numbers Expected

Last year was the first time that Brotherhood District meetings have ever been held in Mississippi. Attendance averaged about fifty to sixty. This year we expect not less than one hundred in any meeting; and it is likely that some districts will have as high as 150 to 200.

Notify Host Church

We are requesting that churches make their plans as far in advance as possible and notify the host pastor of the number that may be expected from each church. This will be a great help where a meal is to be served.

All Churches to be Represented

It is emphasized that every church in the state is expected to send representatives to these meetings, whether or not they have a Brotherhood organization.

Attend Meeting Nearest You

While the territory of each district will be defined in later publicity material, it is suggested that the men from each church feel free to attend whatever conference they may choose. The aim is to get the greatest possible number of men to one of these conference meetings.

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Eden Church, Yazoo County is pastorless. This is a good half-time church with other work within reach. The salary is \$900 and pastorage. The pastorage is modern with lights, water and gas. Correspondence should be addressed to L. M. Shackelford, Sr., Eden, Miss.

The Associational Training Union meeting for Lebanon Association will be held Monday, October 7, at 7:30 at Providence Church, nine miles east of Hattiesburg on the Old Jackson highway. New officers will be elected. Rev. W. R. Storie, pastor of Providence, will bring the inspirational message. Let us have a good representation from the 35 churches of the Association.—Garland McInnis, Director.

there was a culture, a sweetness, a loveliness that is indescribable."

Mrs. Sterling continued: "Mrs. Page said that Dorothy, perfectly at home on the wildest horse, roamed untrammelled over the ranch, and reveled in its beauty and its freedom. But let me continue the story. At seventeen she went to Carrollton College and at the end of three years she won her diploma."

"I'll venture she came out at the head of the list mother; she is as bright and sparkling as a diamond."

"You are right, for she took the honors of her class. A year ago Mr. Page sold his ranch and came here to Kentucky to live, but this is Dorothy's first sight of her Kentucky home."

(To be continued next week)

PROGRAM RELEASED FOR FIRST BAPTIST STATE MUSIC CONVENTION, OCT. 11-12

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will be the State Training Union Ensemble Contest.

The Friday evening session will begin at 7:15 and the following will have parts on the program: C. L. Haire, E. F. Graeser, Blue Mountain College Octette, Mrs. J. H. Street, Luther A. Harrison, H. L. Hutcherson, Brotherhood Quartet Chorus, and Dr. Paul G. Horner.

The closing program will begin at ten on Saturday morning with a song and praise service led by Mrs. R. E. Dillon, Mrs. J. H. Street and the Clark Memorial College Quartet. At this session the State Hymn Playing Contest will be held and addresses given by E. C. Williams and Dr. Claud Bowen.

The program follows:—

PROGRAM

STATE BAPTIST MUSIC CONVENTION FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11-12, 1946

Friday Morning

Songs and Praise—E. N. Ellzey, Mrs. E. N. Ellzey and Mississippi College Quartet.

Welcome—W. Douglas Hudgins.

Organ Solo—Miss Hazel Chisholm.

Recognitions—Luther A. Harrison.

Modern Trends in Music—Mrs. Katherine McElroy.

Music In Our Public Schools—Miss Virginia Hoogenakker.

Special Music—Mississippi College Quartet.

A Need Being Met—Dr. D. A. McCall.

Lunch.

Friday Afternoon

Songs and Praise—W. C. Morgan, Mrs. W. L. Compere and Blue Mountain Quartet.

A Program of Music For Our Churches—C. B. Hamlet III.

Special Music—Blue Mountain College Quartet.

Plans Made At Ridgecrest—Hines Sims.

Materials and Where They Can Be Obtained—Mrs. O. M. Jones (Baptist Book Store).

The Value and Beauty of the Training Union Ensemble—Auber J. Wilds.

State Training Union Ensemble Contest.

Special Music—Jackson College Choral Club.

Music Essentials in Worship—Dr. Harry Leland Martin.

Adjourn.

Friday Evening

Songs and Praise—C. L. Haire, E. F. Graeser, and Blue Mountain College Octette.

Trained Leadership, A Necessity—Mrs. J. H. Street.

What Has Been Done—Luther A. Harrison.

Progress Made By Brotherhood Quartets—H. L. Hutcherson.

Brotherhood Quartet Chorus—Directed by Hines Sims.

Music Prepares the Mind, Body and Soul for Worship—Dr. Paul G. Horner.

Benediction—Blue Mountain College Octette.

Saturday Morning

October 12, 1946

Songs and Praise—Mrs. R. E. Dillon, Mrs. J. H. Street, and Clarke Memorial College Quartet.

Sunday School Hymn Players—E. C. Williams.

Sunday School Hymn-Playing Contest.

Special Music—Clarke Memorial College.

Using Our Boys and Girls—Dr. Claud Bowen.

Adjourn.

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R. W. Herring, New Orleans, has been elected president of San Marcos Baptist Academy in Texas.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BEYOND THREE MILLION

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\$3,000,000 to be used for capital needs. The capital needs goal for each agency is as follows:

Foreign Mission Board	-----	\$1,250,000
Home Mission Board	-----	167,900
Relief and Annuity Board	-----	100,000
Southern Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	450,000
Southwestern Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	450,000
New Orleans Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	400,000
American Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	45,000
Total	-----	\$3,062,900

According to this action all undesignated gifts to the Co-operative Program will be divided for South-wide causes during the rest of this year on the following table of percentages:

Foreign Mission Board	-----	40.81%
Home Mission Board	-----	12.01%
Relief and Annuity Board	-----	3.27%
Southern Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	14.69%
Southwestern Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	14.69%
New Orleans Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	13.06%
American Baptist		
Theol. Seminary	-----	1.47%
Total	-----	100%

This use of the Co-operative Program to provide buildings and endowments for our agencies should provide new impetus to the giving of Southern Baptists. It is now possible for them to give co-operatively for the capital and endowment needs as well as the current operating expense of these agencies. This can be done in the assurance that funds so given will be divided in proportion to the need of each agency. The Co-operative Program, which now stands high in the affection of Southern Baptists, should become increasingly the main channel of our giving.

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LAYMAN'S DAY OBSERVANCE PLANNED BY MANY CHURCHES

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mailed to pastors and Brotherhood presidents. The principal effort is to get all the men of the church into the regular program and activities of the church and to give them such recognition as will encourage them and make them conscious of their responsibilities in the work of the church. Many churches have the men sit in a body at the morning worship service. Usually a male quartet or chorus is arranged. If the men sit in a body, or even if they do not, it is well to have them stand and sing some familiar song. Someone may count the men present and compare the number with the number of resident men enrolled in the church membership. The pastor may address a message directly to the men, or at least he will recognize them in the services and take advantage of the emphasis of the day to make timely references to the men.

—BR—

Pastor Walter Stuart Rule of Oak Ridge, Tenn., famous as the Atomic Bomb City, has written in glowing terms of the youth revival in which Chester Swor and Bob Entekin led. There were 47 added to the church and hundreds dedicated their lives in reconstruction. Three young people joined five who had previously dedicated their lives for full time religious service. Most of these young people have started their education now to prepare for their life work.

Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1 Cor. 13:8

"We preach Christ Crucified." 1 Corinthians 1:23.

In the last two issues of the Baptist Record, we gave you a splendid treatment of "The Church Budget" by J. E. Dillard. If you have not read his complete article presented in two issues, it would be profitable for you yet to read them.

Starting in this issue, we give you the first of the two sections of an unusually fine article by Dr. C. B. Williams on, "Yes, The Co-operative Program is Scriptural". This article will be concluded in the next issue of the Baptist Record.

The third emphasis pressing in upon us right now is that of State Missions. We will be treating that topic on this and other pages of the Baptist Record through October.

I

The Annual meeting of the Moderators and Clerks of Associations will be held at the Baptist Building, December 5th, 9:30 a.m. according to Rev. Chester Quarles, Chairman of the Program Committee.

II

God's way is always best! God's plan is ever sufficient!

All statements of Mississippi Baptists' tithe have suggested a minimum of \$16,000,000.

Suppose Mississippi Baptists used God's plan in financing His work and brought this \$16,000,000 tithe money into His storehouse—His churches. (This says nothing about offerings.)

Let His churches keep 50% of it, or \$8,000,000, for all their local work. That is more than twice as much as they put into local work last year!

Let the other \$8,000,000 of God's tithe money be divided on the present Co-operative Program percentage basis with the following result:

Sixty per cent State Causes \$4,800,000. (State Causes got only approximately 1-5 of that last year.)

State Missions, ---	@20%	\$1,600,000	Hospital, -----	@9½%	760,000
Christian Education, -----	@20%	\$1,600,000	Baptist Foundation, ----	@1½%	120,000
Orphanage, -----	@6%	480,000	Ministerial Education, -----	@3%	240,000

None of these causes have ever come close to these amounts. Why? Because we have failed God in trying His Plan for His work! It is His work! He outlines the support of it!

Southwide Causes, getting 40%, would receive \$3,200,000 from Mississippi alone as follows:

Foreign Missions	\$1,600,000	New Orleans Seminary ----	142,222
Home Missions	746,666	American Baptist Seminary	64,000
Southern Seminary	142,222	Relief and Annuity Board -	330,666
Southwestern Seminary ----	142,222	W.M.U. Training School ----	32,000

None of these causes have ever come close to these amounts. Why? Because we have failed God in following His plan of tithes and offerings!

God's Plan is always Best! God's Plan is ever sufficient!

God intended that His Gospel should be given unto His world! Genesis 1:1; John 3:16; Mark 16:15. We have failed God! We have failed His world! We have failed His Gospel! Malachi 3.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse. Bring ye all your talents, time, and love," etc.

III

We present herewith our first State Mission message printed in tract form—1940. That year our State Mission budget was in the amount of \$40,000. This year, 1946, it is \$175,000! How Mississippi Baptists have grown! How God has blessed this phase of His work!

But we present the 1940 message:

MINE OWN VINEYARD HAVE I NOT KEPT

A Plea for Mississippi Baptists To Do Right by Winning and Keeping Mississippi For our Lord Jesus Christ.

By D. A. (Scotchie) McCall

A wise man long ago wrote, "They made me the keeper of vineyards, but mine own vineyard have I not kept." Song of Sol. 1:6.

What a tragedy! A man caring for the business of all others, save his own! A man with large opportunity before him, but admittedly unfaithful at home!

How true that was of Israel—professing to do many things, but losing at the home base!

Illustrations are all about us today. Holland may have had her East Indies well fortified, but the homeland was open to invasion. Belgium was able to hold her Congo possessions but disintegrated from within. Norway had wrought heroic exploits on many seas, but the Fifth Column laid her heart bare to the enemy.

Should not Mississippi Baptists think seriously along this line?

It is true, we have made progress at practically all established points. The work has gone forward on the Coast, in the Delta, in the hills, in rural areas, in villages, in towns and cities—at established points. Some new work has been started in various sections of the State.

But shall we think now of many areas within Mississippi where we have no work? We have been busy doing many things. Many of these are well done.

Without doubt, we have neglected important sections, particularly inland areas within our State.

What has happened in these communities? Holy Rollers, Mormons or others have moved in. In this land of liberty they have the right to be there, but God Almighty has made Mississippi Baptists the keepers of many vineyards—and our own vineyards in many places, we have not kept.

In one Indian settlement in Mississippi, recently visited, there are 300

Choctaws. Only 40 of them belong to our Baptist church there, the only one in that community. We are doing little for them. They have quarter time preaching. They should have full time services. God is giving us our opportunity. Someone else will harvest there if we do not.

In one government homestead project of nearly 100 families, at least 75% Baptist, we have no work to speak of. One of our evangelists and one of our pastors have gone in and started the work, the pastor at his own expense. Two other such projects are near by. Many voices have been pleading for Mississippi Baptists to keep their own vineyards in this section.

We visited, with the local pastor, many Chinese in one delta city of Mississippi. Some were Christians. Some were not. The Chinese are numerous enough at this point to have a large school of their own. Not a single Baptist agency, denominationally speaking, is doing one thing for these Chinese. They are not only at our very door, but they are in our very midst. We have heard voices and had letters pleading for Mississippi Baptists to keep their own vineyards at this point.

There are over 700,000 lost people above ten years of age in Mississippi. Mississippi cannot and will not go along half Christian and half sin-bound. No other nation has done it. Will we keep our own vineyards, or, will we lose out at the home base? Multitudinous voices clamor for a stronger soul-winning effort—for more evangelists! Evangelists are asking for more equipment, such as tents, sound amplifiers and literature! Over 700,000 lost people above 10 years of age are in our midst! Have we kept our own vineyards?

Please come for help from churches where buildings have blown down, or have been burned. We should have an emergency fund for such aid, but, no such provision has been made. Have we kept our own vineyards?

Mississippi Baptists are called upon to help complete houses of worship. Many are helped. Some have to be put off for lack of funds. God has put the money into the hands of Mississippi Baptists for His blood-bought churches. Are we doing so many things with it, we have not enough left for His churches? A pastor recently sent us by to see a building, uncilled, without doors and windows, and with improvised seats. The drought and want for many months in an undeveloped section had wrought tragedy. This year we had to delay help because of lack of funds.

Mississippi Baptists had the money but it was dissipated. Our own vineyard have we not kept!

Thousands of Baptist students in State colleges not only getting a minimum of emphasis upon New Testament Christian and church life, but time and time again running up against straight out infidelity—and Mississippi Baptists are only providing a minimum of attention for them. Are we keeping our own vineyards?

Our Sunday School and Training Union Departments, rendering full time and State-wide service, call each year for expanding budgets to meet real needs. The W.M.U. could profitably put much more into their auxiliary camps from State Mission funds.

Let us keep our own vineyards!

There is one Negro for every white in Mississippi. They too are in our very midst. We do not have to go to darkest Africa to find them. God extends to Mississippi Baptists an opportunity here. We do next to nothing for them. May we say truthfully, we have kept our own vineyards?

We have young ministers with their backs to the wall, fighting their way through college. A few of them, with their families, actually suffer in our midst. Read Isaiah 58. State Missions helps to make some provision at this point at Clarke College.

State Missions, for Mississippi Baptists is included in the direct, specific, inescapable, personally delivered command of the Lord Jesus Christ, our Saviour, Lord, and Leader. We must obey! We must follow on!

Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, AND IN ALL JUDEA, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Luke 24:46-49. John 17:18 (Luke 4:16-19). Mark 16:15, "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." This will not be obeyed in full except these 700,000 lost throughout Mississippi have the gospel preached unto them!

Matthew 28:16-20. Read carefully Isaiah, chapters 40-49. Note: Isaiah 42:6-8; 43:10, 12, "Ye are my witnesses that I am God." 44:8, "Ye are my witnesses"; 21-23.

IV

On recommendation of B.S.U. Secretary Horner, B.S.U. salaries for local campus secretaries will be on a twelve months' basis effective January 1, 1947. Heretofore, salaries have been paid on a nine or ten months' basis each year.

We visited Fifth Avenue, Hattiesburg, and with the fine pastor, Dr. Rouse, went through their lovely new nursery. It is one of the finest nursery buildings we have seen. They have enlarged their facilities in various ways, and we congratulate Dr. Rouse and the fine people of his church for the many evidences of progress we noted on this visit.

Brother Fred B. Bookter arranged a little fellowship and recreation outing with some board members and a few other friends and invited us along as guests. We had the privilege of presenting our South American trip to them, and we talked a great deal about our Mississippi Baptist work and did some real fishing in between. Brethren to whom we are indebted for the courtesies on this trip are Fred B. Bookter, McComb; Phil Walker, Summit; Carl E. Talbert, Marion; H. H. Aultman, Holly Springs; Otis Perry, Leakesville; Homer Roberson, Vicksburg; and Thurman Booth, Terry.

We had a fine time Sunday morning with Pastor Frank Campbell and the

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Please Bear With Us

We have on hand so much good material that it is necessary to leave several good articles and news notes out of this issue. We will get it in just as soon as possible. In order to provide more space for other articles, some editorials will also be omitted.

—BR—

A Helpful Plan

In last week's issue of the Baptist Record was a news note telling how messengers to the Mississippi Association could reach Pioneer church, the meeting place of the association. It not only gave directions but stated that at a certain point road signs had been erected.

Time and worry would be saved if all associations would do likewise. Directions are hard to give and usually hard to follow. May we suggest that the host church see that signs are erected at the proper places for several miles around the church showing how to get there.

This will not only help the visitors from afar but even messengers from the other side of the association.

—BR—

Brotherhood— The Church's Might

Every church which has a vigorous and active Brotherhood is blessed far above those in which this organization has not been established. The might of the church is bound up in its men. The Brotherhood correlates all this power and harnesses it for the church, through the channels where it will count for most.

The word 'Brotherhood' is significant. The men in a church are brothers. They can function best and with the most power when they are united in a Brotherhood designed to carry forward all the tasks of the church.

Until the might of the men is placed squarely behind our churches, they will not achieve

what they should. Men like to work cooperatively. They organize service clubs and civic groups to work together. A Brotherhood has everything a civic club has with a great plus. For the Brotherhood is working at the task of carrying out the commands of the King of the Eternal Kingdom. No matter how high the ideals of a service club may be, they cannot satisfy the deepest yearnings of men's hearts like work in the Master's churches will do.

Where it is carried out as it should be, the Brotherhood in a Baptist church can be the mightiest force in the church for bringing in the Kingdom.

The Pastor who fails to promote a Brotherhood in his church is failing to use an available power. It is just like sitting by the roadside with a flat with a jack and a spare in the car.

Write Rev. J. H. Street, Brotherhood Secretary for Mississippi. He will give personal assistance in organizing a Brotherhood. His address is P. O. Box 530, Jackson 105, Miss.

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Will Your Pastor Attend The State Convention?

The Mississippi Baptist Convention meets in Jackson at the First Church, November 12-14. Many will want to attend, who will be unable to do so at their own expense. Let the church begin to plan now to take care of this item of expense. Many churches plan for the State and Southern Baptist Convention from year to year as they place this item in their church budgets.

If your church has not made this provision do not let another Sunday go by without taking some action along this line. A special offering may be necessary.

Your pastor should come in time to attend the pastor's conference which begins Monday night, November 11.

Baptists are a democratic group and the annual Convention is the time for the servants of Mississippi Baptists to make reports of their stewardship. As plans are presented for the future your pastor and lay representatives of your church should be on hand to help formulate plans for the future.

The Convention is the place for questions and discussions. Difficulties should be ironed out there. Those who do not come to the Convention to express their opinions or send their pastor or some representative to speak for them, should not criticize the actions of the Convention after the majority of representatives have spoken.

Your pastor, if sent to the Convention, will not only help to set

the policies of the Convention, but he will find inspiration from the messages brought by outstanding speakers.

Serious and tense moments of the Convention will subside as the brethren in the ministry have opportunity for fellowship together between sessions and across the table from each other.

Your pastor will return to his church refreshed in spirit and filled with facts from the reports of the several agencies of your Convention which will enrich his preaching for weeks. God's Word has more meaning for us if we are conscious of the needs about us. His message is for all times and ages and for every need. It is alive and God's Holy Spirit speaks through His servants to reveal His will to us.

Make your offering for your pastor to attend the Convention sufficient to take care of travel expense and hotel expense during the three nights and four days. And let him know early enough so that reservations may be made right away.

The church will profit from this expenditure because your pastor will not only receive great blessings, but you will share in those blessings upon his return to the field.

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A Good Idea

Until a few years ago most pastorless churches depended on getting Tom, Dick or Harry to preach for them until a pastor was called. Some Sundays an acceptable supply was secured. Perhaps the next Sunday the supply was not so good and sometimes there was no supply teacher to be had. All of this contributed to lack of interest, decrease in attendance and a general let-down.

In recent years many churches—all that can would profit by so doing—have been securing one person as supply pastor pending the calling of a pastor. In recent weeks First church Brookhaven has called Dr. P. I. Lipsey as their supply pastor. Last week Dr. H. E. Spell was asked to serve Clinton church until they were able to call a pastor.

There are several advantages in such a plan.

1. The people are assured of a preaching service.
2. A regular supply pastor can render many pastoral services that a Sunday supply would not ordinarily be called upon to render.
3. A supply pastor can plan for continuity in preaching. We heard of one church that depended upon different supply preachers for each Sunday that heard three consecutive sermons, on prayer by

three different men again on two successive Sundays, two other preachers and the same text. Naturally each man did not know what the other fellow had preached about.

4. It prevents embarrassment. In some cases a preacher supplying for one Sunday may have pastoral eyes on that church. Such is not the case with a supply pastor.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

September 29, 1946

S.S. B.T.U.

Ellison Ridge,		
Winston County	162	155
Waynesboro, First	235	67
Jackson, Northside	264	103
Jackson, Van Winkle	191	123
Jackson, First	1,067	353
Jackson, Parkway	472	194
Jackson, Calvary	1,350	336
Jackson, Calvary, including		
Stone St. Mission	1,406	
New Albany, First	666	272
Laurel, First	538	119
West Laurel	426	138
Batesville	208	63
Booneville	252	92
Brooklyn	99	73
Winona	338	102
Centerville	148	33
New Zion, Copiah County	98	67
Louin	80	45
Crystal Springs	549	101
Liberty	138	164
Yazoo City, Second	66	59
DeLay	26	
West Marks	38	
Tocowa, Panola County	32	55
Tupelo, Harrisburg	259	90
Wallerville	69	30
Louisville	4453	115
Rocky Creek, George County	136	72
Center, Union County	138	115
Bear Creek, Attala County	45	
Hazlehurst	303	118
Vicksburg, Bowmar Ave.	190	88
West Point	392	122
Cross Roads,		
Webster County	61	
Philadelphia, Lincoln		
County	75	50
O'Uckolofa, Yalobusha		
County	39	
Hattiesburg, Main St.	744	250
Providence, Forest County	144	103
Newton	385	132
September 22, 1946		
Jackson, Calvary	1,002	251
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone St. Mission	1,043	
Jackson, Northside	221	88
Jackson, Van Winkle	163	120
Jackson, Daniel	180	72
DeLay	42	
Jackson, Parkway	431	184
Bethel, Pearl River County	63	31
Bear Creek, Attala County	33	
West Marks	46	

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Nichols Preaches In Good Meeting

In a recent revival at the Tangipahoa church Rev. George Nichols of Ellisville and Rev. Percy Cooper of Jackson did the preaching and had charge of the singing. Both did a good job. There were 14 additions. A Vacation Bible School under the direction of Mrs. H. E. Bales was carried on during the meeting and was a great asset. Miss Helen Wilson volunteered as a foreign missionary. She is now at school at the junior college at Summit.—A. W. Talbert, Pastor.

GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

CALHOUN COUNTY ASSOCIATION

According to reports submitted to the Calhoun County Association at the recent meeting at Sarepta, the past year was one of the best in the history of the association.

Forty-five of the 47 churches reported. The letters showed the following totals for the 45 churches making a report: Baptisms 377; total membership 7,888; contributions for local expenses \$69,500; designated contributions \$9,909; Cooperative program gifts \$6,097.

Officers elected are: Moderator, B. Murphy; clerk, E. A. Dye; treasurer, Bryant Flanagan; associational missionary, Rev. R. B. Patterson.

The reports were of a high order and the sermons by R. B. Hicks and J. S. Dorroh will be remembered for a long time by the people present. The 1947 session will meet with the First church, Calhoun City.

As usual the Baptist Record was given a choice place on the program and if all promises are kept several new EVERY FAMILY lists soon will be forthcoming.

Calhoun County now has Record readers listed as follows: BETHEL 19, BETHAM 76, Big Creek 3, BRUCE 138, CALHOUN CITY FIRST 139, College Hill 2, DERMA 54, Gaston Springs 2, MACEDONIA 16, Meridian 13, Mt. Moriah 2, Oak Grove 10, OLDTOWN 16, PITTSBORO 32, PLEASANT RIDGE 16, Pleasant Grove 6, CALVARY 17, NEW LIBERTY 30, ELLARD 27, SHILO 45, Spring Hill 1, VARDAMAN 96, BANNER 21, CALHOUN CITY SECOND 64, Rocky Branch 1, Poplar Springs 12, Concord 1, Parker 1, ANTIOCH 14.

HEPZIBAH, CLARK COUNTY, IS NUMBER 824

Another church, Hepzibah, Clark County, has been added to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Rev. W. Harold Anderson of Shubuta is also pastor at Hepzibah.

Although Pastor Anderson has been in Clarke County just a few months he is making his influence felt.

Clarke County Record readers are now listed as follows: Antioch 1, Center Ridge 2, Crandall 1, ELAM 22, ENTERPRISE 74, HARMONY 34, Knight's Valley 1, PACHUTA 32, Pine Grove 10, Pine Hill 11, Pleasant Grove 1, PLEASANT HILL 14, QUITMAN 100, ROLLING CREEK 26, Shubuta 10, SOUENLOVIE 23, STONEWALL 147, Center Grove 8, UNION 59, DESOTA 33, OAK GROVE 19, BUCATUNNA 13, MONTROSE 45, NORTHROP'S CHAPEL 16, MT. ZION 27, HEPZIBAH 15.

PANOLA COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Panola County Association met with White Oak church and entertained in the usual high standard set by other Panola county churches in other years. A good program had been prepared and Moderator White knows how to start and keep on time.

Officers elected were: Moderator, L. R. White; vice-moderator, Rev. V. R. Crider; clerk, Rev. W. E. Lee.

All the reports were good. We were especially interested in the one on Christian Literature by Mrs. Fred Bar-

ham. We presented the merits of the EVERY FAMILY and several pastors expressed interest.

Record readers in Panola county are now listed as follows: ASKEW 20, Union 11, BATESVILLE 130, COMO 39, COURTLAND 20, CRENSHAW 26, Easley Memorial 9, ENON 44, GOOD HOPE 33, LIBERTY HILL 63, Longtown 10, McIvor 1, PEACH CREEK 55, PILGRIM'S REST 28, Pharsalia 1, POPE 22, SARDIS 46, TOCOWA 27, Curtis 2, Locke Station 12.

MOUNT ZION IN PIKE COUNTY IS NUMBER 823

Rev. F. L. Coker has joined the already large list of Mississippi Baptist pastors who have the Baptist Record as a part of their program. A recent letter from him brought the news that Mt. Zion church of which he is pastor has adopted the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record and henceforth 64 families in that progressive church will be informed Baptists as they read about the work of Baptists throughout the world.

Pike county Record readers are now listed as follows: Bala Chitto 8, McComb Central 6, EAST MCCOMB 267, FERNWOOD 59, FRIENDSHIP 27, HOLMESVILLE 34, MCCOMB FIRST 489, MAGNOLIA 130, MT. ZION 64, OSYKA 83, Progress 3, SILVER CREEK 33, SOUTH SIDE MCCOMB 88, SUMMIT 109, TANGIPAHOA 79, Thompson 18, SILVER SPRINGS 62, TERRY'S CREEK 70, UNION 40, JOHNSTON STATION 38, Naville 1.

PINE GROVE IS IN

Rev. D. C. Mason, who lives in Alabama, but serves the Pine Grove Church in Liberty Association, Clarke County, recently sent a list of subscriptions covering more than half of the resident families of the church.

Most pastors could do as Pastor Mason has if—

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NOT ONE BUT TWAIN

Rev. S. B. Harrington, Pastor at Tchula, also serves Beulah and Oak Grove Churches in the afternoons. Pastor Harrington does not do things by one but by twos, as evidenced by the fact that he recently sent us EVERY FAMILY lists at the same time—one for Beulah and the other for Oak Grove, Holmes County. So far as we remember Pastor Harrington has never pastored a church that did not have the EVERY FAMILY plan.

Holmes County Record readers are now listed as follows: BEULAH 21, Central 2, CRUGER 23, DURANT 130, Ebenezer 1, Emory 10, GOODMAN 40, HORSESHOE 18, LEXINGTON 108, PICKENS 49, PLEASANT RIDGE 34, TCHULA 43, WEST 31, MT. PLEASANT 48, Harland's Creek 1, OAK GROVE 15.

Dr. Jarvis S. Morris has assumed the editorship of the 116-year-old national weekly, *The Presbyterian*, published in Philadelphia.

Gulfport Pastor Taken By Death



DR. HENRY T. BROOKSHIRE

Dr. Henry Tate Brookshire, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Gulfport for about ten and a half years, died suddenly late Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 24, 1946, at his home, 1528 East Beach.

He had returned home from the church only a short time before and was fatally stricken about 5:15 p.m.

Dr. Brookshire, born in Gaddistown, Ga., came to Gulfport in 1936 from Elberton, Ga., and had served as pastor of the First Church since that time.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lorraine Walker Brookshire, Gulfport, a daughter, Miss Helen Brookshire, a student at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, La.; his mother, a sister, and three brothers.

He was a member and past president of the Gulfport Rotary Club, and held honorary memberships in several other service and civic organizations.

Funeral services were held at Riemann's Chapel in Gulfport. Chaplain Ira D. Eaenson, of the Gulfport Veterans Administration Hospital, Dr. J. N. Brown, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Gulfport, and Dr. Henry M. Bullock, pastor of First Methodist Church, Gulfport, officiated.

The body was shipped to Atlanta, Ga., for services Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Pittman Funeral Home. Burial was in Atlanta.

The church at Gulfport has grown during the pastorate of Dr. Brookshire and his going has left vacant the pulpit of one of the outstanding coast churches. Friends of the family will regret to hear of his passing, and will wish for all the bereaved ones the comfort they need during these sad days.

October 27 Is State Mission Day In Sunday Schools

By J. E. Dillard

October 27, or nearest convenient Sunday, is to be State Mission Day in our Sunday schools.

The primary purpose of the observance is educational. All our people should know what we mean by state missions; what we owe to state missions; the departments of state mission work, and how the work is carried on.

More than half our churches were either started or fostered at some time by state missions; all of them have been helped by workers under state mission boards.

Then we need to see the opportunities, even crying need, for state missions in certain sections of our state.

Storie Answers Providence Call

Rev. W. R. Storie, who was formerly pastor at the Beacon church in Laurel, has assumed the leadership of the Providence church, near Hattiesburg. According to Pastor Storie, a royal welcome has been given to them. At each of the two first services professions of faith were made. He found 16 waiting baptism following a recent revival led by Rev. J. C. Murphy of Pachuta and Singer Rayburn of Glen Dale church. He baptized 18 the first night as pastor.

The Beacon church responded to the leadership of Rev. Storie and there were 92 additions during his stay there. One young man was ordained to the ministry. The gifts to the cooperative work increased 36 per cent, and tithes increased from 40 to 170 in number. The best Vacation Bible School in the church's history was held with 176 enrolled and an average attendance of 155. Mrs. Storie has undergone a major operation recently, but has returned home and is improving. The church and pastor face the future with enthusiasm.

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Rev. F. G. Wilborn has moved from Rocky Creek church in George county to Oloh church in Marion. The Oloh church has started a full time program. The community is giving Rev. and Mrs. Wilborn a hearty reception, and the future of this progressive congregation is bright as they lay plans for advancing along all lines. Rev. Wilborn's address is Sumrall, Miss., Route 3.

The Murphy Creek church in Winston county licensed John Earl Schooler to the gospel ministry, and he preached his first sermon in the church on September 8. He used as his subject, "The Wages of Sin Is Death." He is a senior at the Bond high school, and plans to enter Clarke College next session.—F. H. Miller, pastor.

A news note from New Hope Church, and mailed at Mt. Olive, has been received by the Record office, but the item is unsigned. It is a rule among newspapers that unsigned articles cannot be used. If the person sending the news note will send us the name of the writer we will be glad to publish it.

Harassed farmers in Great Britain were disturbed over the continued rain that threatened to destroy the entire grain crop. City dwellers joined the farmers in crowding the churches to pray for fair weather. The rain has stopped and harvest has been resumed.

A liberal offering on State Mission Day would help meet these needs.

A special program for State Mission Day has been provided and mailed to all general superintendents whose names are listed with their state Sunday school secretary.

Additional programs will be found in *The Teacher* and *The Sunday School Builder* for October (10 cents a copy each); and *The Quarterly Review*, fourth quarter (25 cents a copy). Those magazines may be ordered from the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

Free offering envelopes should be ordered early from Baptist state headquarters.

Our State for Jesus, oh grant it Dear Lord

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is a word often on the lips of Christian people today. Our preachers preach it, our teachers teach it, we study about it in our books, we read about it in our denominational papers, we talk about it in our meetings. Stewardship! Stewardship! What do we mean by this word which seems to be God's special message for this generation?

God's Ownership

Stewardship is based on the fact of God's ownership. We belong to God. We are His by right of creation. He made us in his own image. We are His by right of preservation. His love sustains and keeps us day by day. We are his by right of regeneration. He saved us with the blood of His only Son. "Ye are not your own, ye are bought with a price." Not only we ourselves, but all we have belongs to God. Our time, our talents, our influence, our material possessions, everything we have comes to us as a gift from God.

Our Responsibility

Since we ourselves and all that we have belong to God, then we are responsible to Him for the use that we make of His wonderful gifts. We are His stewards, His trustees held accountable to Him for the care of His property. The parable of the talents is a good picture of stewardship. A man going into a far country delivered unto each of his servants a portion of his goods to be used in his absence. On his return he called them to him for a reckoning, each one was required to give an account of how he had used his master's property. The master's commendation was for those who had been faithful to their stewardship, and his scathing rebuke and punishment were for the one who had been unfaithful. "Stewardship implies responsibility, and responsibility demands faithfulness." "It is required of stewards that a man be found faithful".

Our Faithfulness

How then can we be found faithful? The answer is simple and yet means everything in the world. We can be faithful stewards by using all we are and all we have according to the will of God for His glory and for the extension of His Kingdom. That is faithful stewardship. It will solve every Kingdom problem of the church.

The Tithe

When we consider the things that are ours we naturally think first of our material possessions. God's Word is plain in its teaching about the stewardship of money. We are told that "the tithe is the Lord's", and we are commanded: "Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse". Great material as well as spiritual blessings are promised to those who obey this command. The tenth belongs to God and must be paid if a steward is found honest. Then, to be found faithful, he must add to his tithe free-will offerings as an expression of his love and gratitude to God. If all Christians were faithful in the payment of the tithes what wonderful things would happen in the Kingdom of God! All churches and missionary causes would be adequately supported and the Word

of the Lord would fly on the wings of love to the uttermost parts of the world.

Larger Stewardship

But faithful stewardship cannot be measured altogether by the tithe. Mr. Walt Johnson says, "The tithe is but the laces that tie together the shoe of stewardship". God needs our time, our talents, our influence, our personalities as well as our money. He has given us all of these things to use for Him. How dare we bury any of His gifts in a napkin of carelessness, indifference or selfishness! The larger stewardship requires that we lay all that we have on the altar of His service. We must remember that we are stewards of the Gospel itself. It has been given to us to pass on to others. May all our possessions, material and spiritual, be used as instruments through which the good news of salvation may travel swiftly into all the world! And when the Master comes to require an account of our stewardship may we be found deserving His commendation: "Well done, good and faithful servant".

KEEP THE BOXES GOING

Send your packages to—

Church World Service Center
1735 South Vandeventer Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Exactly 2,019,350 pounds of relief clothing valued at almost two million dollars and 3,530,882 pounds of food valued at \$155,000 were shipped abroad from the United Church Service Center here during the first half of 1946.

Also shipped overseas in the same period were:

Toys and tools—4,334 lbs. valued at \$2,150

Soap—55,707 lbs., valued at \$5,570

Medical supplies—3,095 lbs., valued at \$2,349

Kitchen and dining room ware—1,104 lbs., valued at \$276

Field and garden seeds—66,838 lbs., valued at \$33,364

Sewing thread—792 lbs., valued at \$110.

The sum total of shipments for the first six months of 1946 is 5,648,012 pounds of all goods with a value of \$2,156,592.17.

The total amounts of food also include grains and cereals bought in carload lots with cash contributed for that purpose. By a special arrangement with certain millers the Service Center can purchase sixteen pounds of a relief cereal containing ground wheat, oats, and soybean grits for \$1.00. One pound, or only six cents worth of cereal, equals a pound of cheese in food value and can feed one undernourished child for one day.

All the goods listed above came from church, community, and individual donations. Shipments were made to sixteen countries, with local church officials doing much of the final distributing overseas.

The United Church Service Center is one of the largest church relief goods depots in the United States. Not only are clothing, bedding, canned foods, and money received here, but also soap, candles, shoes, kitchen utensils, table ware, dolls, carpenter tools, cotton feed bags, and a number of other items needed abroad in war-stricken lands. Goods sent here are usually packed and shipped within 48

One Hundred Nineteen Join Blue Mountain Societies

Rush Week at Blue Mountain College ended with 49 students joining the Euzellians, 42 joining the Eunomians, and 28 joining the Modenians.

Those joining the Euzellians were: Betty Cooper, Memphis, Tennessee; Ann Overstreet, Jackson; Myrtle Hill, Sumter, South Carolina; Ann Nelson Patrick, Corinth; Margaret Payne, Senatobia; Marzie Brown, Bogie Chitto; Frances Cox, Saulsbury, Tennessee; Natalie Cockroft, Memphis, Tennessee; Cynthia Porter, Hyden, Kentucky; Jeanine Zachary, Stonewall; Jane Nelson, Memphis, Tennessee; Mercedes Jackson, Sturgis; Sydney B. Russell, Jackson; Sara Maude Golden, De Kalb; Betty Chong, Wahliawa, Oahu, T. H.; Evelyn Hill, Luxora, Arkansas; Evelyn Groverman, Georgetown, South Carolina; Virginia Barbee, Lulu; Dorothy Jean Stell, Memphis, Tennessee; Imogene Pannell, New Albany; Celeste Sugg, Dyersburg, Tennessee; Marty Hughes, Dyersburg, Tennessee; Peggy Carter, Bolivar, Tennessee; Peggy Wiggins, Greenwood; Betty Sigman, Dyersburg, Tennessee; Glen Nelle Stringfellow, Wilmer, Alabama; Mary Louise Rappold, New Orleans, Louisiana; Gayle Donnell, Slaughter, Louisiana; Annette Tapp, Blue Mountain; Katherine Estes, Blue Mountain; Gwendolyn Stroup, Ripley; Margaret McKee, Ripley; Vivian Porter, Yazoo City; Jackie Thompson, D'Lo; Lavonne Price, Bogie Chitto; Mary Collier, Amarillo, Texas; Elizabeth Bright, Aberdeen; Edeen Harris, Gunnison; Jeanette Varando, Wiggins; Ann Gill, Holly Springs; Mary Dee Russum, Hattiesburg; Mary Emma Chambers, Mobile, Alabama; Bertha May Windham, Yazoo City; Patricia L. Jeffress, Dexter, Missouri; Charla Walters, Laurel; Lottie McKenzie, Greenwood; Helen Keyes Brewer, Greenwood; Dorothy Wayne Blackwell, Plantersville; Betty Evelyn Robinson, Richmond, Virginia.

Eunomians: Margaret McMullen, Sumner; Mary Blanche McMullen, Sumner; Bonnie Ruth Walker, Calhoun City; Quirina Trappolini, Mount Pleasant; Marjorie Lee Cox, Gulfport; Mary Jeanne Bains, Bessemer, Alabama; Mary Ann Roberson, Bessemer, Alabama; Mary Eleanor Braddock, Ripley; Betty Wilkerson, Lexington, Kentucky; Junita Johnston, Mobile, Alabama; Bidney Dixon, Raleigh, North Carolina; Virginia Rose Shelton, Ripley; Mary Catherine Rainer, Ripley; Carolene Gardner, Kirksville, Missouri; Margie Riddle, Brandon; Willene Lewis, Philadelphia; Betty Jane Rodgers, Yazoo City; Rebecca Bartlett, Nashville, Tennessee; Eleanor Johnson, Ripley; Emily Cole Clements, Kerrville, Tennessee; Claudie Loftiss, Cordell, Oklahoma; Lula Mae Counce, Okolona; Betty Waters, Baldwin; Odell McCarthy, Baldwin; Georgiann Bliss, Vicksburg; Cleo Tumbler, Laurens, South Carolina; Emily Owen, Memphis, Tennessee; Rosalind Owens, Clanton, Alabama; Dorothy Gene Davis, Anniston, Alabama; Nancy Warmack, Humbolt, Tennessee; Marie Claypool, Nashville, Tennessee; Ann Schuh, Jackson; Bessie M. Wiggins, Talladega, Alabama; Glenda Moore, Pensacola, Florida; Imogene Myers, Mobile, Alabama; Maxie Herndon, Titusville, Florida; Norva Zipperer, Madison, Tennessee; Betty Allan, London, England; Priscilla Sherwood, Mate Grosso, Brazil; Verda Nell Bagwell, Fountain Inn, South

hours after their receipt. Over 700 pairs of shoes are reconditioned each week in the shoe-repair shop before shipment abroad. People are urged to send any usable articles mentioned above to this center. They can be assured of prompt and safe distribution across the seas. Recently over a thousand letters have come from grateful persons overseas, thanking Americans for their donations of clothing and bedding.—G. R. Hodges

HOW TO HELP YOUR CLERK

By Portor Routh

Help! Help! Help!

That cry is going out now from associational clerks of the South with the associational season in full swing. Record time has arrived and your help is needed in the preparation of complete and accurate records.

Each church clerk has a responsibility in completing the annual report for his church. But the church clerk needs the help of others.

Sunday school superintendents can help by making a complete report of the Sunday school available.

Training Union directors and leaders can help by seeing that their records are up to date.

Church treasurers can help by properly reporting the funds received for both local and mission work during the year.

Officers of the W. M. U. and the Brotherhood will be of service in providing the information required on the church letter.

Pastors can help by seeing that the letter is presented to the church and approved at least two weeks before the associational meeting.

The church clerk can help by sending the associational letter to the associational clerk two weeks before the associational meeting where possible.

Make 1946 the best year on record for records.

If you are a church clerk, and have not received your supplies, write to your associational clerk or state mission secretary. Associational clerks will receive an ASSOCIATIONAL CLERK'S RECORD BOOK from your state mission secretary. Additional information may be obtained by writing the Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn.

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Mr. Ralph D. Churchill, formerly of Murray, Kentucky, has accepted the directorship of the Extension Department of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, succeeding Dr. Frank K. Means. Dr. Means will devote his entire time to his teaching in the School of Theology.

Mr. Churchill is also the seminary's Publicity Director and a graduate student and instructor in the School of Religious Education.

The Extension Department provides some courses by correspondence in each of the seminary's three schools—Theology, Religious Education and Sacred Music.

Carolina; Clare Jordan, Rolla, Missouri; Ramona Ray, Corinth.

Modenians: Peggy Holland, Philadelphia; Patricia Joy Williams, Philadelphia; Stanley Williams, Dundee; Zelma Grubbs, Blue Springs; Eleanor Watson, Dumas; Christine Lee, Etta; Mable Miller, Sarepta; Maudean Burrow, Smithville; Bobbie Jean Braddock, Ripley; Mary Dean Hollis, Chalybeate; Marguerite Naylor, Washington, D. C.; Gwendolyn Harrington, Houston; Frances Estes, Picayune; Clara Lay, Myrtle Grove, Florida; Ernestine Britt, Olive Branch; Lois Baker, Carbondale, Illinois; Christine Cole, Philadelphia; Klue Barkley, Cotton Plant; Katherine Huggins, Oxford; Jeanne Nelms, Gadsden, Alabama; Dorothy Sheeley, Gadsden, Alabama; Mary Anne Boland, Tralake; Mary Kate Bowling, Hattiesburg; Betty Craine, Laurens, South Carolina; Evelyn Harvey, Tyler, Florida; Shirley Williams, St. Petersburg, Florida; Margaret Thompson, St. Petersburg, Florida; Rebecca Lanier, Shawmut, Alabama.

Yes, The Co-operative Program Is Scriptural

C. B. Williams

A Baptist Indian in Oklahoma met Dr. Beagle, missionary of the Home Mission Board, at the station to take him up to the Baptist church to preach. Said the Indian to Dr. Beagle, "You tell us what the Jesus Book says. We want you to stay a whole week and tell us what the Jesus Book says." Our Baptist people everywhere, in country and hamlet, in town and city, want to know what the Jesus Book says about the way they are asked to do their work. Is the Co-operative Program scriptural? Let us see!

Objectives Scriptural

The objectives or aims of the plan are taken from the scriptural times. These may be classified under five heads.

I. Evangelism. The bottom rail of the Co-operative Program is evangelism, or soul-winning. Our secretaries, missionaries, teachers, and pastors all stress the winning of the lost to Christ as our first duty. Is not that scriptural?

1. John the Baptist was a soul-winner. He won the first two disciples to Christ. "On the morrow John was standing and two of his disciples; and he looked upon Jesus as He walked, and saith, Behold, the Lamb of God! And the two disciples heard Him speak, and they followed Jesus" (John 1:35-37). These two disciples were Andrew and John, who later became apostles.

2. Andrew, one of these, at once went home after his brother Simon. "He findeth first his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messiah (which is, being interpreted, Christ). He brought him unto Jesus" (John 4:7-42).

3. Jesus Himself was a great soul-winner. He won the woman at the well of Sychar (John 4: 7-43); the paralytic (Mark 2:5); the insane man with a legion of demons in him (Mark 5: 19); Levi-Matthew (Mark 2; 14); Zaccheus (Luke 19: 2-9); and scores of others.

4. Jesus calls us to be soul winners. "Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men" (Mark 1:17). This is His service-call to Andrew and Peter.

II. Missions. The second rail in the Co-operative Program is Missions. Soul winning is the bottom rail of missions. We may stay at home and win souls, and that is evangelism; but when we go and win souls, that is missions. For convenience our Co-operative Program has state, home, and foreign missions. Is this program scriptural? Let us see:

1. State missions is illustrated in Luke 10:1-3: "Now after these things the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them two and two before His face into every city and place whither He Himself was about to come." ("And He said unto them, The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He send forth laborers into His harvest.") Jesus was in the state of Perea across the Jordan and these seventy missionaries were sent out as state missionaries. See also Acts 1:8, "Ye shall be my witnesses in all Judea," (another state).

2. Home missions is illustrated in Acts 8, where Philip goes to another state, Samaria, and preaches the gospel; and also meets a foreigner, the Ethiopian chamberlain, and preaches the gospel to him and baptizes him, sending him on down to his own country as a foreign missionary.

3. For foreign missions we have abundant scriptural proof: "Go, make disciples of all the nations" (Matt. 28:19, 20), etc.; "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15); "Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name unto all the nations" (Luke 24:47); "Ye shall be my witnesses . . . unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8); "There were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus" Acts 11:20. Thus the great church at Antioch was organized and became another center of foreign missions.

III. Teaching. The third rail in the Co-operative Program fence is teaching. We try to teach our church members and their children in the Sunday school, the Baptist Training Union, our Baptist colleges, seminaries, and missionary training schools. We have nearly thirty colleges, four Baptist seminaries, and two missionary training schools. Are we following the Scriptures in this teaching program? Let us see:

1. Jesus was the Great Teacher. Forty-five times in the Gospels He is called Teacher, many times The Teacher. See John 3:2; Matt. 5:2; 7:29; 9:35; 11:1; 13:54, etc. He says, "Follow me." We are trying to do so in our teaching program.

2. The Twelve and Paul used teaching as one of their principal methods of winning people to Christ. See Acts 4:2, 18; 5: 21, 25, 28, 42; 11: 26; 15: 35; 18: 11, 25; 20: 20; 28: 31.

3. Teaching is to follow evangelism and missions. "Go . . . make disciples . . . baptizing them . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you" (Matt. 28: 19, 20). Are not these Scriptures convincing? The churches are commanded to teach (Matt. 28: 20). We are commanded to study that we may know how to handle the word (2 Tim. 2: 15). God once winked at ignorance but it is no longer so, and He now commands men to repent (Acts 17: 30). Repent of what? Of their ignorance about him and truth. Surely none can know His word and claim that there is no Scripture for our teaching ministry!

IV. Healing. Through the Co-operative Program we now operate a Baptist hospital in nearly every state of our Southern Baptist Convention, and the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans. We are caring for and healing many thousands each year in these eleemosynary institutions. Have we any Scripture for a healing program? Let us take a look:

1. Jesus was the greatest healer the world has ever seen. He cured people with diseases now incurable by all the discoveries medical science has made—erate forms of disease—fevers, nerve troubles, etc. He also cured deafness, blindness, even congenital blindness (John 9: 1f). He raised Jairus' daughter who had just died (Mark 5: 41, 42), a young man on the way to the cemetery (Luke 7:12-15), and Lazarus after he had been dead and buried four days

State Missions Helped Here



Above is shown a scene in the northern Delta section of Mississippi, in which a long line of new members are given the hand of fellowship following a revival in which almost 50 people came into the church, a score being on profession of faith. A nearby Pastor and the Associational Missionary worked together in this task. The Associational Missionary shown here is supported from State Mission funds and by gifts from local churches in the area where he works. All who give to State Missions have a definite part in the joy that comes from such experiences as are shown in the picture above. Mississippi Baptists are enlarging this work each year as more associations plan to participate.

THE BLOOMING OF THE LILIES

(Dedicated to the life of my sister)

Down the walk a short space from the back steps of our home grew a cluster of lilies. Several years back, while strong enough to walk by aid of her walking cane, she planted them there. She loved all things that were beautiful, wholesome and uplifting.

Year after year the lilies grew and bloomed.

Soon she grew so weak she was unable to walk about and would sit quietly, read and observe time and seasons. Then I remember her saying, "Have you looked to see if the lilies are blooming yet?" I would go out to see and sometimes gather a cluster or two to take in to her. How much their beauty would please her.

August 18th, 1946—nine long months she has been gone from us.

Walking down the walk today there were, the beautiful blooming lilies—her lilies. I turned quickly back. No! I could never look upon their beauty now. Something turned me around, and I walked over and looked down on their pure white beauty. There in those lilies I saw God, and her consecrated life.

They told me of His Grace, that had so filled her heart and ruled her life; of her years of devoted labor in her profession, and for her family.

Now silently but gracefully, while she rests from labor, and beholds the joy of her heavenly home, the lilies tell me in their marvelous glory of her life of love and faith.

Yes! "By their works ye shall know them."

As I stood there I saw her in her church life—forty-two years the First

(John 11: 39-44). See Matt. 8 and Mark 2 for extended healing programs by Jesus.

2. Peter and John cured the crippled beggar at the Beautiful gate (Acts 3: 1-10). Peter cured Aeneas at Lydda and raised to life again Dorcas at Jappa (Acts 9:32-41).

3. Paul healed the congenital cripple at Lystra (Acts 14: 8-10); cured the sick at Ephesus (Acts 19:11, 12), and "The rest of the diseased people" on the island of Malta, as well as the father of the chief man, Publius, sick with "fever and dysentery" (Acts 28: 8, 9). Paul also raised to life again Eutychus who fell dead one night from an upper window (Acts 20: 9, 10).

V. Helping The Helpless. Through the Co-operative Program we maintain orphanages in all our states. In connection with our Relief and Annuity Board we are caring for needy ministers, and their widows and orphans. In a private way hundreds of other widows are cared for by our churches. Is this phase of our work scriptural? "Pure religion and undefiled before our God and Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world" (James 1: 27). So those who back the Co-operative Program have "pure religion" of the New Testament type.

(To be continued next week)

Mississippi Ranks Twelfth

Of the nineteen states of the Southern Baptist Convention and the District of Columbia, Mississippi ranks twelfth in contributions for the month of August according to the tabulation from the office of Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary to the Executive Committee.

Mississippi gifts total \$39,822 allocated as follows: Cooperative Program \$20,823; World Relief \$16,581 and Designated \$2,418.

Gifts from all the states of the Southern Baptist Convention for the month amounted to \$1,476,478. Gifts for the year to date have been \$6,257,039, which is an increase of \$2,211,780 over the same period for 1945.

Baptist Church of Hattiesburg was her Church home. All that it stood for was dear to her.

I saw her in her professional life, and in her home life. It was all as sweet and pure as the lilies I looked upon.

Then I plucked the lilies, and carried them out and placed them on her sacred mound in the City Cemetery.

The name of Dora Van Norden has perhaps dropped from most people's lips now, but her life of faith so strong, love for the high and noble things so deep, will live on in the hearts of those for whom she gave so unselfishly her services and friendship.

Her life will ever inspire me to continue to try to live according to God's Word. The pattern of her life.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

W. R. ROBERTS, Associate

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

PRINCIPLES FOR REACHING YOUNG PEOPLE

Philip B. Harris
Superintendent of Young People's Work, Baptist Sunday School Board

Our Responsibility
It has been estimated that Southern Baptists are responsible for reaching 1,600,000 unenlisted young people, 17-24, for Sunday school attendance. "It is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these . . . should perish."

Make Adequate Provision

Those returning from service.—Provide classes in the Young People's department for those 17-24. Separate classes for "G.I.'s" are unwise. Refrain from "mixed classes." Enroll the service men and women in organized classes according to their respective age classification.

These young married women.—Married women, 17-24, are young people and should not be forced to fit into adult classes. One-third to one-half of all young people, 17-24, are married. The adult division is already overburdened with prospects and responsibility. In order to insure Bible study and a healthy church life, separate classes must be provided for this group in the Young People's department.

The Seventeen-year-olds.—Each year 100,000 young people are promoted from the Intermediate classes. We must hold this group by providing a separate class for the seventeen-year-old young men and classes for the seventeen-year-old young women. They are already accustomed to small classes of narrow age range.

These college students.—Organize classes for non-resident college students on the age basis. Separate the sexes (men teachers for college men and women teachers for college women). Make classes relatively small in size (15-25). Make them as narrow in age range as possible. If it is possible, set up a separate department for this non-resident college group.

Have one or more departments for young people.—Begin with two classes (one for young men and one for young women). Forty or more young people will justify the organization of a department. The department should assemble separately for an opening worship period. In case of 400 or more possibilities, a second department should be organized. Herein lies the hope of enlargement and efficiency in Young People's Sunday school work in larger churches.

On Your Mark, Get Set, Go!

The urgency of our responsibility calls for courage, faith, and action. The need is evident. Delay is dangerous. We have eternal values to offer. We must promote an intensive crusade to enlist all young people for Bible study in the Sunday school. Let us join hearts and hands and claim this group for Christ. Begin today. Tomorrow will be too late!

Twelve Weeks in Lebanon Association

One of the happiest summers ever spent in Vacation Bible schools was in Lebanon association. They were days that can never be forgotten. The happy days spent with around eight hundred smiling faces is an experience every Christian would enjoy. I just thank God for giving me the oppor-

tunity to serve and witness for Him this summer.

Through the fine cooperation of the workers of the churches and their faithfulness in teaching, many boys and girls came to know Jesus as their Savior. One of the most glorious experiences of the summer was when forty boys and girls accepted Jesus as their Savior in one week. (The school and revival were held together). In other churches there were others who gave their hearts and lives to Him.

May I say that not all the boys and girls who came to Bible school were Sunday school attendants. Thus, we had the joy of teaching them for the first time John 3:16 and other verses from God's word, which were taken into the hearts. Many learned from the choruses that, "Jesus loves all the children of the world" and that there is "One Door and only one," to Jesus. Songs, scripture, stories, games, handwork and other activities of V.B.S. helped to win many for Christ, for Sunday school and church.

Only seven of the thirty five churches in this association did not have a Bible school this summer. Next year the boys and girls of these churches can enjoy the blessings that many others enjoyed this year if these churches will begin now planning for Vacation Bible schools. The dates should be set aside now and let everyone keep in mind that this week, or two weeks, is most important for the boys and girls in Vacation Bible school.

Back of all the success and results of these schools was the faithful, prayerful and untiring efforts of the Sunday school superintendent of the association, Mr. M. A. Mayo. He never was too busy in his business, as President of the Laundry, to spend hours getting out letters or going in his car for several miles to see if the churches wanted a school. Indeed, it was because of his deep consecration and love for the work of the Master that he would give himself so willingly to the work. In spite of discouragement many times, not one time did he want to say, "it isn't worth the trouble." I just want to say, "thank you" to the finest Sunday school superintendent an association could have. My work was made much happier and lighter, because of his leadership and help.

I want to express my appreciation to the churches and pastors of the association who cooperated in all the work of the Vacation Bible schools.

Deep gratitude goes also to my church for their prayers and interest in the work. Every week I knew that at the mid-week prayer - meeting someone was praying for the success of the schools. To my pastor and all my fellow-laborers in Christ I say, "God bless you."

For a greater association and for thirty five Vacation Bible schools next summer, I sincerely pray. For Jesus' sake and for the boys and girls' sake let us plan for them now.—Gladys Bryant

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Pastor James Southland of Centreville had Rev. Walter S. Rule of Oak Ridge, Tenn., as the guest preacher in a revival recently. These two renewed

TO LAYMEN

The Ministers' Retirement Plan has favorable features as follows: (1) It guarantees a substantial amount at the age of 65 and beyond to the Pastor participant whenever he may choose to retire; (2) It returns to the family or estate as savings plus about 3% all unused monies paid in by the Pastor participant in case of his death; (3) In case of total and permanent disability before retiring, the pastor participant receives a goodly financial benefit so long as he lives. It is a good plan! Every Mississippi Baptist pastor should be a member of the plan! Write for details and application blanks, TODAY! Keep PAID UP! The pastor pays an amount in advance equal to 3% of his salary. The church pays the same.

The church also reaps benefits! It will never smart under the feeling of having neglected one of God's chosen ministers! It will never be left with the full support of a retired pastor on its hands! I Corinthians, chapter 9.

The deacons, the Sunday school superintendent, the W.M.U. president, the Training Union Director, the Brotherhood (MEN), the choir—should see that the pastor has abundant opportunity to enter the plan.

The pastor worthy of the title visits the sick, attends the suffering, stands by the dying, wins the lost, reclaims the backslidden, marries the young, baptizes the converts, preaches the Gospel, teaches the word, trains the saved, counsels with the troubled, answers the questioning, studies, cries out his heart, and loves everybody! The word of God says, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel." Romans 10. Matthew 25.

Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

Department of State Missions — Division of Ministers' Retirement
D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary
Baptist Building
J. E. Lane, Bookkeeper
Jackson, Mississippi

Gold Coast Resolutions

WHEREAS, the notorious Gold Coast is located in Rankin County, under the very shadow of the Capitol Building of the State and the Governor's mansion, and

WHEREAS, it is known far and wide as a place of lawlessness and vice, where liquor is sold, gambling, drunkenness, and carousing are tolerated against the peace and dignity of the State of Mississippi, and

WHEREAS, The Chief Executive Thomas L. Bailey, with the other peace officers of the State, who have taken an oath to uphold the laws and the Constitution of the State of Mississippi, and who have the authority on the basis of facts already known and facts that can easily be obtained, to declare such places a nuisance to society, to close, pad lock and keep closed until order has been restored.

THEREFORE; BE IT RESOLVED, that we the members of Cato Baptist church located in Rankin County, composed of law-abiding citizens, who believe in law and order, and are trying to teach our children to respect and obey the laws of our State, in conference assembled do hereby endorse and pass the following resolutions:

FIRST BE IT RESOLVED, that we petition the Chief Executive, Thomas L. Bailey, the Chancery and Circuit Judges, the District Attorney, and the Sheriff of Rankin County to uphold and enforce the laws of our county and State.

SECOND, BE IT RESOLVED, that if the lawless element has become more powerful than the present laws that we now have, and the local authorities cannot handle the situation without new provisions; to save the honor and dignity of our State, that the Governor immediately call a special session of the legislature, repeal the black market tax law and make such provisions as will make life and property safe.

THIRD, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the above mentioned names, and to the Clarion-Ledger, the Brandon News and The Baptist Record for publication.

Signed by the Pastor, Board of Deacons and the Church Clerk, on this the eighth day of September, 1946

Chas. C. Jones

Tom Ponder

T. M. Martin

J. K. Winstead

R. R. Martin

W. J. Shotts —Ch. Clerk

fellowship they enjoyed when both were in Louisville, Ky.

CLARKE COLLEGE TRUSTEES MEMORIAL TO THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION

WHEREAS, Mississippi Baptists have in Clarke Memorial College an institution with valuable property, with a glorious history, and with a bright future;

WHEREAS, Clarke Memorial College has survived through the years, even through critical and difficult periods, thus demonstrating beyond a reasonable doubt that it is a Child of Providence and prayer;

WHEREAS, Clarke Memorial College meets a very definite need and fills a unique place in Mississippi Baptists' life and ministry;

WHEREAS, the buildings and equipment are in serious need of repairs, remodeling and in some cases replacement;

WHEREAS, the enrollment has increased so rapidly in recent years that the facilities are entirely inadequate to take care of the present student body, with large numbers of other fine Christian young people having applied for admission;

WHEREAS, the college is in great need of (1) a new Girls' Dormitory, (2) a new Administration Building, (3) a new Physical Education Building, (4) a new dining Hall, (5) repairs and remodeling of the Boys' Dormitory and present Administration Building, and (6) a considerable amount of new equipment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Clarke Memorial College request the Mississippi Baptist Convention in its Annual Meeting at Jackson, Mississippi, in November to authorize a statewide special financial campaign for Clarke College for 1947, with a minimum goal of \$350,000.

Editor's note: Similar resolutions were adopted by the Alumni Association of Clarke College in their regular business meeting held on May 28 last. The Alumni Association pledged its wholehearted support to such a campaign.

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Wells, Magnolia; Mrs. Ed Stevenson, Magnolia; Rev. Franklin Haire, Clinton; F. M. Bartee, Vossburg; Dr. B. Frank Smith, Magnolia; Dr. W. R. Cooper, Tylertown. Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Ray, Starkville; Rev. F. Jeff Eubanks, Lucedale; Mrs. C. H. Botelle, Florence; Rev. N. A. Edmonds, Jackson; Rev. John L. Gilbert, Clinton; Rev. Owen Williams, Utica.

INTRODUCING...

State and District Brotherhood Leaders



HENRY EDMONDS, Jackson,
President, District One,
Vice-President, State
Brotherhood Convention



J. WESLEY MILLER,
Rolling Fork
President, District Two



REV. WINFRED MOORE,
Tupelo
President, District Four



HARRY T. SMALLWOOD, Laurel,
President, Mississippi Baptist
Brotherhood Convention
Mississippi Member Southwide
Brotherhood Committee

THE COMPLETE LIST of district Brotherhood officers is as follows: **District One**—president, Henry Edmonds, P. O. Box 481, Jackson; **District Two**—president, J. Wesley Miller, Rolling Fork; secretary, George Woodard, Cleveland; **District Three**—president, Dr. Ira B. Seale, Holly Springs; vice-president, J. A. Barnett, Courtland; secretary, L. R. White, Batesville; **District Four**—president, Rev. Winfred Moore, Tupelo; secretary, Rev. George Gay, Okolona; **District Five**—president, Harold C. Reaves, 424 Military St., Columbus; secretary, W. L. McElroy, Columbus; **District Six**—president, Lyle V. Corey, 310 Lamar Building, Meridian; secretary, Charles D. Shields, Threefoot Building, Meridian; **District Seven**—president, W. Horace Headrick, 901 South Magnolia, Laurel; secretary, Lonnie Meador, Laurel; **District Eight**—president, Julius E. White, 410 Elmwood St., McComb; vice-president, C. D. Beecher, 1122 LaBranch St., McComb; secretary, Joe McCollough, 133 N. Chestnut St., McComb. Pictures of presidents Seale and Reeves were not available.



M. F. RAYBURN, Meridian,
Secretary
State Brotherhood Convention



LYLE V. COREY, Meridian,
President, District Six



HORACE HEADRICK, Laurel,
President, District Seven



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President, District Eight



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REV. W. A. HOGAN

Rev. W. A. Hogan, pastor of the Clarke - Venable Memorial Baptist Church, Decatur, and State Pastor-Adviser of the BSU, is to bring a message at the Saturday evening session of the State BSU Convention next month on the subject, "What Do We More Than Others in Sacrificial Giving." Brother Hogan, who is a great friend of college students, will also participate in the panel forums scheduled for Saturday morning and afternoon.

Campaign Ends in Nov.

The campaign to raise \$150 for the BSU Room of the University of Shanghai from among Mississippi's students will end November 26th. Most of our BSU's have not contributed to this worthy cause. I feel sure most of you will. We have \$111.90 to go before we reach our quota.

New Secretary At State

State College has a new part-time BSU Secretary, we are happy to announce. He is Ben Seitz, formerly of McComb, Mississippi College and the Louisville Seminary. We hope to have his picture and a writeup about him in the *Record* soon. Ben makes an even dozen full or part-time secretaries we now have in Mississippi's colleges. We need others and believe that other local situations will have one soon.

Three Books Received

Three worthy books have come into my hands recently, viz., *Help! Crisis in Asia and Europe*, compiled by Marjorie E. Moore; *Carved on Our Hearts*, by Saxon Rowe Carver, and *Church Members Handbook*, by Joe T. Odle. The first is starkly realistic as to the needs in destitute lands everywhere, the second is an extremely interesting little book on China, and the third, which is not as new as the others but which is just as pertinent, is, to my mind, a book which should be placed into the hands of every new member of a Baptist church. Brother Odle, of Crystal Springs First Church, has made a much-needed contribution in this book. All three of these can be obtained at the Baptist Book Store.

Registration Has Begun!

Registrations for the State Convention have started coming in. A Clarke student was the first. A request for three banquet tickets has also been



LOUIE FARMER

Rev. Louie Farmer, pictured above, is the new BSU Secretary for Clarke Memorial College. Born in the cattle country of Texas, Brother Farmer graduated from Baylor University and holds both the master's degree in theology and the master's in religious education from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth. He is married, has one daughter and before coming to Clarke had four years experience as associate pastor of Texas churches. He came to Mississippi from the First Baptist Church, Orange, Texas. Mississippi students, and especially those at Clarke, are very happy over Brother Farmer's coming.

Peregrinations

Since last report, I, and in some cases Eva Lois too, have been peregrinating quite a bit. Talked at Jasper County association one day and later ate the inevitable fried chicken with considerable fixings with Brother Frank Skilton, of Blue Mountain, and others. Met with an interested group of Baptist students at Millsaps. Jimmy Minnis, as president, is gaining ground for the BSU there. Taught a study course for an exceptionally enthusiastic group of Meridian Junior College students and the next night spoke at the Youth for Christ rally there in Meridian. Then the next morning enjoyed hearing my big brother, Paul, preach at 15th Ave. Church a good sermon on "The Ideal Deacon". Lastly but not leastly, attended Madison Association with Brother J. B. Parker. Tempo's faster; seems like the old days of last Spring!

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The Associational letter of Immanuel Church, Lexington, Kentucky, of which Dr. E. N. Wilkinson, Mississippian, is pastor shows that the church gave more to missions than for local expense. The total amount contributed during the church year was \$73,624.66 and of this \$38,074 was for missions. New members received into the church total 256.

received. Things look good for the whole program. Get your registrations for homes and banquet tickets early to avoid the rush. More about the Convention will appear next week.

Baptist Orphanage Receives Gift From The Estate Of The Late Mrs. Idelia S. Richardson Of Gulfport, Mississippi

In her last will and testament Mrs. Idelia S. Richardson directed the executor of her will to convert into cash all real estate and personal property left by her and that all bonds and stocks owned by her at the time of her death be transferred to, or re-issued in the name of, The Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, Mississippi, after all her just debts, expenses of her last illness and funeral and all costs incident to the probate and execution of this Will are paid.

"I will and direct that all money, and property delivered to the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, Mississippi, be immediately converted into an endowment fund, to be named and known as The Idelia S. and Edwin E. Richardson Memorial Endowment; it being my further will and direction that the funds constituting the said endowment shall be invested by the Board of Trustees and or Executive Committee of the Baptist Orphanage in United States Government Bonds, the principal of the endowment to be used by the said The Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, in accordance with the judgment of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee

and the Superintendent of the said Orphanage, toward the care, maintenance and education of orphan children received at and by the said Orphanage. It is my further will and request that the said governing authorities of the Orphanage may, in their discretion and judgment, use such part of the income from the principal endowment as they deem wise toward the further and advanced education of orphans received at the Orphanage, after such orphans may have completed the course of instruction provided at the Orphanage, and after they may have exhibited the necessary qualifications and ambition to receive such further and advanced education."

The gross amount of the above estate was \$25,617.99. After the payment of attorney's fee, the executor, court costs, and other disbursements the net amount received by the Orphanage was \$19,828.14. There were a few items of personal property which were converted into cash bringing the amount to \$20,000.00. This has been converted into War Savings Bonds as directed and the Orphanage will receive \$500.00 annually from the income of this estate.

New Officers Elected For Pearl River Training Union Association

There were 251 present and ten pastors attending the Training Union meeting of Pearl River Association. Training Unions from 19 churches were represented. Roseland Park Church, Picayune, won the banner for having 68 present.

The following officers were elected: Director, Miss Eunice Smith; Associate Director, Mrs. Dalton Stuart; Secre-

tary-Treasurer, Miss Doorthy Harmon; Pianist, Miss Conveil Stuart; Pastor-Adviser, Rev. D. Wade Smith; Chorister, Rev. Clyde Gordon; Adult Leader, Rufus Davis; Young People's Leader, Miss Ethel Barnette; Intermediate Leader, Mrs. Tom Seal; Junior Leader, Mrs. Johnny Stewart; Story Hour Leader, Mrs. Carthan Smith.

MRS. JESSIE EDDLEMAN

Whom God called home July 1946

The midnight stars are shining upon your silent grave.

Beneath it sleeps the one we love, and could not save.

Although your soul is now at rest, and free from care and pains,

His world would seem like Heaven, to us, if we had you back again.

But still we say "His will be done" our loss is Heaven's gain,

Your soul is with the blest,

and we who join your dear companion in his grief, are the ones who knew you, and loved you best.

Sadly missed by friends,

The Knighten family

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Bethel Revival Conducted By Pastor

Pastor G. E. Wells conducted the revival at Bethel Church, Mississippi Association. The attendance was good and there were 13 additions to the church by baptism.

The music was directed by E. W. Johns, song leader and Mrs. Hilda Jones, pianist.

During the revival a program was launched to raise funds for the erection of an annex to the church.

A training Union composed of four unions and sixty enrolled has been organized.—Mrs. W. A. Ravencraft, Reporter.

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

October 7—Mrs. J. Harold Jones, Young People's Counselor, W. M. U. District 7; Mrs. Katherine F. Otto, Professor of Organ, Blue Mountain College.

October 8—Miss Martha N. Burkhalter, piano teacher, Mississippi College; Miss Shirley McHughes, Secretary to the president, Blue Mountain College.

October 9—Ira B. Seale, Trustee, Baptist Memorial Hospital; J. E. Booth, B. T. U. Director, Zion Association.

October 10—Rev. C. A. Molpus, Blue Mt. College Trustee; Lonnie Meador, Secretary, District 7, Brotherhood.

October 11—Mrs. Bert Ebeling, Panola County Superintendent of W. M. U., District 3; Professor George W. Beswick, Education Department, Blue Mountain College.

October 12—Rev. W. L. Meadows, member committee on Social Service; Leland Speed, Trustee, Baptist Foundation.

October 13—Remember Layman's Day Observed by the Brotherhoods of Mississippi today; Dr. Helen A. Shaw, professor of French and German, Blue Mountain College.

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Pastor Dan Morton thinks the Baptist Record is helpful in his church at Catchings. He writes "I find the people here seem to enjoy the Record very much, and often refer to it in conversation."

DR. NEWTON VISITS FAMOUS RUSSIAN CITIES

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the said... the past twenty-two years. He is a member of the All-Union Council of Baptists in the USSR. There are three Baptist churches in Minsk. There are 17,000 Baptists, of record, in Belorussia. Brother Chesnev told of one tragic situation where the pastor and twenty-three members of a small Baptist church were burned alive. He stated that the Baptists of Minsk and the entire Republic of Belorussia are prospering spiritually, with many candidates awaiting baptism.

It is my opinion that Baptist life in the strategic city of Minsk, where 150,000 people were killed, is entering upon a new and promising era.

Baptists in Leningrad

From Minsk, we flew to Leningrad, circling over the Baltic States of Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania. Leningrad, as you will remember, was first known as St. Petersburg, and later as Petrograd. It is the most beautiful city in Russia, thanks to the abounding natural beauty of the river, the lakes, the trees, and the far-sighted planning of Peter the Great and Catherine the Great, who spared nothing to make the city a showplace of elegant buildings, bridges and monuments.

An Overflow Audience

Never shall I forget that first service in Leningrad. I had asked Dr. Ralph W. Sockman to go with me to this service, and all the way back to the hotel, he kept saying, "Did you ever see people so deeply moved?"

Brother Chesnev told us that there were many awaiting baptism in Leningrad. The present improvised place of meeting does not permit half of the people to be seated, and they have no baptistry.

Baptists in Stalingrad

Rev. Nickita Schkodakov is pastor at Stalingrad, but they have no house of worship. Every building in Stalingrad was totally destroyed, and our Baptist people are meeting in the temporary homes of the members. They hold their meetings during the summer in the open air. What they will do this winter, I cannot imagine. But the spirit of the people is positively inspiring. They are working day and night to rebuild their city, and they dream of the time when they will have modern and adequate houses of worship for every Baptist congregation in Stalingrad and in all that section of Russia.

I wish there were space to describe the sacrificial attitude of the Baptists in the Ukraine. We shall see many of the beloved Baptist leaders of the Ukraine at Copenhagen, next summer. The story of the Baptists in the Ukraine is one of the most thrilling of all the chapters of Baptist life in the USSR.

Baptists in Georgia

When I got to Tbilisi, capital of the Republic of Georgia, I realized that I was at the place where Baptist life in Russia began, in 1867, when Nikita Veronin pursued his study of the New Testament until he found his way to Christ. He was baptized in the Kura River, August 20, 1867, and from that day begins the inspiring story of how Baptists in Russia have grown to a number estimated as approximately 2,000,000.

Rev. Vitold Krasinski is pastor at Tbilisi. As the big plane entered the pass in the mountains, leaving the

blue waters of the Black Sea and flying low over the beautiful Valley toward Tbilisi, I was reminded of the similarity of the scene with that of the hills round about Bethlehem.

The Farewell in Moscow

Following our numerous journeys throughout Russia, we had several days in Moscow before leaving for home; and the brethren there arranged for me to preach every night. I spent a day in the country home of Pastor L. A. Orloff. He arranged for a group of Baptist leaders to meet at his beautiful home, some twenty miles from Moscow, where Mrs. Orloff and the women of the Moscow church served us a great feast. We spent the day in unhurried conversation. We were all Baptist preachers, save Mrs. Mary Naimark, my interpreter.

One thing I must emphasize: Our Baptist brethren in Russia are concerned with but one point, namely, that Baptists shall accept the New Testament as our sole rule and guide for our faith and practice. Let no one be in doubt about their doctrine or policy. They are New Testament Christians and New Testament Baptists. They will not take a convert into full membership until he first proves himself. If they were to throw open their churches to any and all who would ask for baptism, they would receive thousands where they are now receiving hundreds, and I believe it.

A Gracious Gift

After my last sermon in Moscow, Thursday evening, August 8, 1946, Pastor Orloff announced that they would observe the Lord's Supper as an expression of love and fellowship for the American visitor. The place was very crowded, and it took more than an hour to serve the Supper.

A little child came forward and presented me a great cluster of lovely flowers, saying: "From the children of Russia to Dr. Newton." And then there were other tokens of esteem, from the young people and the women. And then came the climax, when Pastor Orloff presented me the exquisite gold chalice which he had just used in the Lord's Supper. Never have I felt quite so helpless as I did that moment. The great congregation stood and wept as he placed the lovely gift in my hands. He said:

"This chalice was first used in the Baptist Church at Tbilisi, where Baptist life in Russia began. My father was pastor of that church, and used this chalice, and then I became pastor and used it. When I was called to Moscow, the friends at Tbilisi gave it to me to bring to Moscow as a symbol of their love. I have been pastor here eighteen years, during which period we have used this chalice every Lord's Day in observing the Lord's Supper. We love it dearly. And for that reason, we now give it to you as a symbol of our love for you and the Baptists of Druid Hills and of America."

Pastor Orloff's Letter

I close this series of articles by quoting the letter which Pastor Orloff handed me as I said good-bye to the Baptists of Moscow:

"The Moscow Community of Baptists, Pastor M. A. Orlov

"To the Druid Hills Baptist Church Atlanta, U.S.A.

"Dear Brothers and Sisters:

"The Moscow Evangelical - Baptist Church, which has 3,500 members baptized in the faith, heartily and warmly, with a brotherly kiss such as we re-



MISS CARLA ALLBRITTON

Having already started her work as BSU Secretary for Sunflower Junior College, Moorehead, is Miss Carla Allbritton, of Monroe, Louisiana. Miss Allbritton received her B. A. from Louisiana Tech and her Master of Religious Education from Southwestern Seminary. She was on the BSU Council at Tech for three years and for a time was Church Secretary for the First Baptist Church, Arcadia, La.

Dr. M. E. Dodd, after several weeks delay, left September 20 for his preaching tour of New Zealand and Australia.

The Southern Baptist Foundation was partially organized last week at its first meeting with Maxey Jarman, Nashville, president; Lowry Eastland, Baton Rouge, vice-president; and Raymond Rodgers, Nashville, Secretary. Duke McCall will serve as executive secretary and treasurer. Action on the charter was delayed until after the December meeting of the Executive Committee.

ceived, greet all of you.

"We were extraordinarily glad to see among us your beloved pastor, the esteemed Dr. Newton, and to hear from him words of greeting filled with sincere love and sympathy for us, Russian brothers and sisters.

"We thank you heartily for the letters of greeting sent from your women and youth to our sisters and youth. Our sisters and our youth are deeply stirred by your attention. These letters we will preserve in memory of the visit to our country and our Moscow church by dear Brother Newton.

"We also thank all of you for your prayers for us.

"We hope that the blood shed by our peoples in the battle with the common foe will serve as a cement holding together our countries.

"Dr. Newton was so kind to invite our representatives to the USA. We shall be very glad to visit your beautiful country and share with you the joy of Communion in our Saviour. His precious blood has made us close to one another.

"At the present time, while we are writing you this letter, our Moscow church is reaping a joyful harvest: we are taking in through baptism in the faith about 300 newly converted souls. All the Evangelical Baptist Churches of our country are now experiencing the same job of baptizing the newly converted.

"We fervently pray that the peace gained at such a dear price shall never be broken anywhere, and that our country will be joined in a close union of friendship, and that the churches of both countries unanimously struggle for the Evangelical faith.

"Yes, our all-powerful Lord will accomplish that!

"In the name of the Moscow Church—
"Pastor M. A. Orlov"

MOBILIZING MISSISSIPPI MEN

J. H. Street, State Brotherhood Secretary

The Brotherhood Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board was opened on June 1, 1946. Prior to this time many churches in the state had made starts at Brotherhood work. Lacking a state promotional department and the stimulus of a general movement in the state, many of the Brotherhoods that were organized before 1945 fell by the wayside. Fifty-two Brotherhoods were in operation, with varying degrees of vitality, when the department was established and a Brotherhood Secretary placed in the field.

Remarkable Growth

During the sixteen months since state promotion was committed to a Brotherhood Department, the number of Brotherhoods in our state has more than doubled. There are now 110. God is blessing the Brotherhood cause; and new interest is being shown in all parts of the state.

1945 District Conferences

Considerable impetus was given to the work among the men by a series of eight district meetings held in November of last year. Secretary Lawson H. Cooke, of Memphis, and State Mission Secretary D. A. McCall toured the state with Brotherhood Secretary J. H. Street.

Convention Formed in April, 1945

Perhaps nothing has given Brotherhood work in Mississippi as great an advance as the organization of the state Brotherhood Convention. Over five hundred men attended the short session on April 1-2, 1946. Addresses by Lawson H. Cooke and Dr. Louie D. Newton, as well as the entire program of the convention, greatly inspired our men. Immediately after the convention the number of new Brotherhoods increased noticeably.

Bus to Ridgecrest

Twenty-three men made the trip from Mississippi to the Brotherhood Conference at Ridgecrest in August. Very few of these men were district or associational Brotherhood leaders; but those who went brought back much information, zeal and determination to promote the work.

And Now

Laymen's Revivals have begun to spring up over the state like daisies. Russell, Lauderdale County, R. H. Fitzgerald, pastor, was first. Center Terrace, Canton, C. O. Estes, pastor, was next. Now plans are already made for Laymen's Revivals at West Corinth, J. B. Ray, pastor; Mount Olive, L. R. Alford, pastor; Carthage, Dr. Wm. Potter, pastor; and Juniper Grove, Rev. D. Wade Smith, pastor. This movement has greatly increased interest in the men of our churches.

Layman's Day observance will contribute greatly to the work.

The district meetings are just ahead; and these will help much.

The next state Brotherhood Convention, tentatively set for April 8, should leave Brotherhood work in Mississippi on a firm basis, with the very highest hopes for rapid progress in the future.

—BR—

Rev. J. H. Cothen of Hattiesburg assisted Pastor W. L. Warren in a revival at County Line Baptist Church in Wayne County in which 19 were added to the church. Lester Dennis was ordained to the ministry during the revival. He and his wife are now at Clarke College pursuing their studies, attended by the good wishes of the entire community.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

Lesson for October Sixth

PAUL'S BACKGROUND AND EARLY LIFE. Acts 21:39, 22:3, 27, 28; 26:4, 5; Phil. 3:5, 6.

I. Stature of the Man. Our lesson concerns the greatest Christian that ever lived. We look at his early life,

THE UNCOMMON MAN

There's been too much talk about the Common Man, so much that the Uncommon Man has been forgotten. Destiny-determining issues are being muddled by Common Men who lack necessary, uncommon judgment, and courage.

Stalin has rightly said, "Communism and democracy cannot live permanently in the same world!" Today Communism spreads confusion and threatens the stability of civilization. Moreover Pagan, "mortal God stateism" (to borrow Paul Hutchinson's term) threatens spiritual ideals and Freedom in America. Too many people already address their prayers to Washington and have lost their sense of personal or community responsibility.

One of Spiritual Mobilization's representatives recently received an admission from a communist organizer, who had spent time with Victor Kravchenko (author of I Chose Freedom), that "One preacher is worth more to us than a dozen labor leaders." They have many preachers who knowingly or unknowingly are advancing Marxism under the banner of a so-called social gospel. Communist leaders realize that ultimately this issue will turn on spiritual considerations. What a challenge to us clergy to sound the alarm, to champion Freedom, spiritual Freedom, root Freedom, the democratic process, constitutional government—the citizen as master not servant of the state.

More than 5,000 Uncommon Men, preachers of various denominations, are already making common cause with us and others are enlisting at the rate of 125 weekly. We need 10,000 by Easter 1947! It will require courageous, vigorous action to save Freedom. Would YOU like to know what other pastors are doing about it? Like to receive our monthly bulletin, special tracts, and calls from representatives in your area? How many boiled-down reprints of Paul Hutchinson's The New Leviathan can we send you free for distribution in your parish?

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that portion of anyone's life wherein is determined the extent to which God can use him later. There are certain things which condition and determine the use to which even the Lord God Almighty is can put any given man: 1. The parentage out of which he is born. 2. The kind of home into which he is born. 3. The training given him in his babyhood and early youth, and 4. The education he receives from his earliest youth and onward.

II. The Stock Out of Which Paul Was Born. "Of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law a Pharisee." Not a proselyte, but descended directly from the Patriarch Jacob. The tribe of Benjamin was, of course, the children of Benjamin, and Benjamin was the son of Rachel, the beloved wife of Jacob. The tribe of Benjamin gave Israel its first king and, after the return from exile, it formed with Judah, the kernel of the new colony in Palestine: Benjamin was born in the Promised land, and his sons always held the post of honor in the army.

The Pharisees were the Puritans among the Jews, the most scrupulous among the sects of the Jewish religion. They believed that apart from their bodies men had souls, that man consisted of both soul and body. They believed in the existence of angels, personal entities of pure spirit, and also, in a resurrection of the dead. They believed the commandments of God were given to be kept, and proposed and attempted literally to keep them. They were zealous in their strivings after purity of life and placed great emphasis upon the worth of obedience to God and the avoidance of all things that might contaminate or render them impure.

III. Paul's Education. "I am a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia. . . Brought up in this city, at the feet of Gamaliel, instructed according to the strict manner of the law of our fathers, being zealous for God". Tarsus. Metropolis of Cilicia, Asia Minor, a city which grew up on both sides of its river Cydnus, ten miles up the river from the sea, and the point where the wealth gained by the west in trade with the east was concentrated and whence that wealth went to cities of the west. You can not speak of Tarsus as a western city; it was too far to the east. It was at the conflux of the two, where occident met orient, where Greek culture met Semitic and the two, each as eager as the other, grappled in a truceless contest for the mastery.

Tarsus produced an amalgamated society, a blended culture, a type of character cosmopolitan beyond that of any other community in the world. The glory of Tarsus was and is that it produced Paul, that it could produce Paul, that it was the only city in the world that could have produced Paul.

Jerusalem. The center of Jewish life, their sacred city, the point of origin and publication of their great literature, by which, of course, it is not meant that all their sacred literature was written by its Jewish writers in Jerusalem, but that its odor of sanctity flavored all of it, the city of the temple, where the presence had dwelt, the city of the renowned teachers of the Jewish law and life.

Gamaliel. The Greatest teacher of his generation, and therefore the greatest man of his generation among

the orthodox; because the teacher is ever the greatest man, and the greatest teacher shapes the lives of princes, potentates and priests. Gamaliel sought to broaden the mind of his pupil toward a spiritual interpretation of the Mosaic law and encouraged a friendlier attitude toward all foreigners. It has been said of him that, "With the death of Gamaliel the reverence for the law ceased, and purity and abstinence died". Years of profitable labor might be spent in the study of the influence of this great teacher upon his greater student, Paul.

IV. Paul's Life As A Pharisee. "As touching zeal, persecuting the church; as touching the righteousness which is in the law, found blameless". He did not persecute the followers of Christ because he was irreligious, but because he was so very religious. He persecuted unto death the followers of Jesus as a religious duty, and he was no more religious in his propagation and publication of the gospel than he had been in his efforts to extirpate it.

"Righteousness which is in the law", is conformity to the external requirement of the law. Paul would not consciously disregard the letter of any precept in the moral or ceremonial law. He would fast twice in a week and give tithes of all he possessed. He would enter no house of a Gentile, and on leaving street or market, would wash his hands lest he be defiled by contact with what had been handled by the uncircumcised. He believed all the fine doctrines of the Pharisees, but in his struggle to achieve righteousness, he found no help, no satisfaction. God was silent, heaven was closed. No voice divine gave him assurance of approval from God: no vision came to ravish his soul with the joy of the Lord. He wanted peace, but did not know the joy of surrender to the Prince of life.

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The Harrisburg Baptist Church was greatly blessed in having Rev. J. H. Street, State Brotherhood Secretary, of Jackson, in a revival meeting September 8-13. The attendance was better than usual at all services during the week. The Young People enjoyed immensely the services held for them each evening prior to the regular evening service. The WMU ladies are still praising the wonderful messages brought to them each day in connection with their Week of Prayer programs.

BIG SPRINGS CHURCH ORDAINS EARL THORTON



EARL THORTON

Earl Thorton was ordained to the gospel ministry on August 8 by Big Springs Church, Lincoln County.

Pastor Harvey Deere, Rev. Phil J. Walker of Mars Hill Church and Rev. A. W. Talbert of Macedonia Church participated in the ordination services.

The young minister is preaching at Rocky Hill Church, Copiah County, and also a student at Clarke Memorial College.

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Misses Jean Lowrey and Marjorie Donnell, Blue Mountain, are attending Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge, working toward the M. A. degree in Speech Arts. Miss Lowrey graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1945 and Miss Donnell last June.



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THE ANIMAL'S FAIR

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As an animal dressed so rare.
At 7:30 o'clock
We'll all be on the dot;
At the church we'll be all ready to see
The stunts of all our flock.
See page 46 and get all the suggestions.
This should be a "whale" of a success.

Thinking of socials, let the adult leaders look at page 47 of the October Magazine and plan for their union to have an "Autumn Leaf" social.

"Pa", said the subscriber's little daughter, "I know why the editors call themselves 'we'".

"Why?"

"So the fellow who doesn't like what's printed will think that there are too many for him to lick"—Tr. Union Magazine.

Tillatobba Organizes For Training

Pastor Cecil Sutley of the Tillatobba church is rejoicing over the successful study course conducted by Miss Louise Hill of the Training Union Department the week of September 15th. Miss Hill taught the book "Building A Church Training Program" at night for all above the Junior age, and the Juniors met in the afternoon and studied the Junior Union Manual. The training union was or-

ganized with four units, an Adult Union, Intermediate Union, Junior Union, and Story Hour.

The following officers were elected. Director, J. J. Craig; Asso. Director, I. P. Raspberry; Secretary, Miss Flora Melton; Chorister, Miss Eva Craig; Pianist and Intermediate Leader, Mrs. J. A. Massey; Adult President, Mr. William Hudson; Junior Leader, Mrs. E. M. Chancellor; Story Hour Leader, Mrs. J. J. Craig. Miss Hill reports that the fine cooperation and faithfulness of the people was most encouraging, and that this spirit was manifested in that the attendance the last night of the study course was twice that of the first night. We congratulate Tillatobba and wish them God speed as they go on in their training program.

Mississippi Association Has Wonderful Youth Program In Their September Mass Meeting

The Associational Training Union Mass Meeting held in September was scheduled to be a "Youth Meeting". This is what it was in the Mississippi Association, Mrs. A. G. Felder, Director. The meeting was held in the Mt. Vernon Church with an overflow crowd, there were 280 seated and counted with more on the outside who could not get in the building. The program consisted of two talks by guest speakers, both bringing messages especially helpful for the young people, several young people from different churches in the association made helpful talks, a group of Juniors added to the program by giving parables and quoting scripture, Promotion Day was emphasized as a necessity for keeping a Training Union graded, a Youth Choir added much to the program. New officers were introduced to the congregation by the Associational director. New officers for the association were elected and all in all it was a grand program. The officers to serve the association for another year are as follows: Director, Mrs. A. G. Felder; Asso. Director, H. G. Rice; Secretary, Fred Floyd Deere; Chorister, Mrs. Frank Wall; Pianist, Miss Ruth Carruth; Department Leaders, Adult, Mrs. Matt Duck; Young People, Mrs. J. J. Lowrey; Int., Mrs. J. O. Burris; Jr., Mrs. Janie Wells; Story Hr., Mrs. M. D. Newman; Pastor Adviser, Rev. M. T. Wilson; Group Directors: Mrs. Anna Lee McGehee, Mrs. Ora Nell Williams, Frank Wall, and Mrs. Ovilee Nunnery; Study Course Chairman, Mrs. James K. Jones.

You will note the last officer mentioned is for special work. This is a fine idea to have one person designated to promote study courses. We feel sure the association, as a result of this additional officer will be able to report a much larger number of churches having a study course in 1947 than ever before. We commend this idea to other associations.

December 2nd is the date for the Associational Planning Meeting. This is to be a morning and afternoon meeting held at First Church Jackson. Every Associational officer is invited to attend and make his contribution to the plans for 1947. Draw a ring around December 2, and make your

W.M.U. Holds V.B.S.

A Vacation Bible School in the New Bethel Negro church enrolled 51 under the sponsorship of the Woman's Missionary Union of the 28th Avenue Baptist church of which Rev. Q. C. Barrett is pastor. Mrs. Paul Morris was principal, and the following as-



sisted: Mrs. P. W. Acree, Mrs. Helen Walker, Mrs. W. W. McLellan, Miss Mae Freeman, Miss Dorris Smith, Miss Dona Lewis and Miss Joyce Moulder of Mississippi Southern College, Miss Ramona McLemore of Petal was pianist.

Refreshments were served each day by Edna Newsome and Hannah Boykin assisted by other women of the church. The commencement program was well attended on Friday night. This W. M. U. also sponsored the trip to Jackson to the Baptist Negro Institute for one of the New Bethel members, Ancie Belle Shears.

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Walter Jones of Pleasant Ridge Church, Itawamba County, recently sent a club of subscriptions which helped the Baptist Record over the 54,000 mark.

After two months illness Mrs. Ray A. Walker, wife of Evangelist Ray A. Walker, passed away on September 11. Brother Walker formerly lived at Mt. Olive, Mississippi. For the past eleven years the Walkers lived at Belton, Texas.

Pastor J. M. Edwards of New Hope Church, Gulf Coast Association, was assisted in their revival recently by Evangelist Harold Johnson of Birmingham, Alabama. There were 24 additions to the church, 13 of whom were candidates for baptism.

The Handsboro Church enrolled 115 pupils in the Vacation Bible School and had an average attendance of 85. The Rev. Milford Vaughn served as principal. He was assisted by a faithful corps of workers. The missionary offering amounting to \$17.15 was given for Relief and Rehabilitation. The general offering from the church for relief amounted to \$90.42.

plans to be with us.

Our State Training Union Convention is scheduled for December 27th. It will be a three session meeting morning, afternoon and night. Here we select our young people's and Intermediate representative for the 1947 Ridgecrest assembly. The winners in our fifteen District Conventions will represent their district in the state meeting.

Columbus Training Union Revival Successful

You cannot write into a statement the results of any meeting, but from all angles the Training Union and Leadership School held at First Church Columbus the week of September 15th was a success. The attendance was good, the largest the church had enjoyed for years. The faculty was par excellent, the preparation perfect, and the results very gratifying. Director Sam Wilder, Educational Secretary Cecil Lea, and Pastor J. D. Franks all rejoice as the church takes a stride forward in this important phase of church life.

Rev. J. C. Allen, Choctaw Indian preacher of Carthage, who visited fields in Kentucky last June, has made a tour of the Cumberland Association around Harlan, Ky., where he spoke to seven churches with 442 attending, and an offering for missions amounting to \$49.63. In Enterprise Association he spoke in seven churches, two schools and a new mission, with a collection of \$68.86. Rev. Allen finds this section not as well developed as the other places he visited but the response of the people was good. He declares the needs are great for Bible preaching there.



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It Cannot Be Over Emphasized

By Geo. W. Schroeder

It cannot be over-emphasized that one of the greatest tasks before the Brotherhood leaders at the present time is the enlisting of more of the men of a large number of our churches in the Brotherhood movement. It stands to reason that as more men are enlisted the greater will be the possibilities and influence of the Brotherhood in promoting the full program of the local churches.

Realizing the need of more Brotherhoods the southwide organization and the cooperating state organizations will endeavor to organize twelve hundred new Brotherhoods coupled with the four thousand already in existence will give the Brotherhood an avenue through which any denominational project or objective can be effectively promoted. James H. Street, executive secretary of the Brotherhood movement in Mississippi, has accepted a goal of one hundred twenty of the twelve hundred new Brotherhoods.

In addition to the organizing of twelve hundred new Brotherhoods the southwide office will emphasize the importance of all Brotherhoods using the Brotherhood Journal.

It cannot be over-emphasized that the Journal is the only publication in the Southern Baptist Convention that is published exclusively for the men of our churches. The Journal is one of the main co-ordinating forces of the Brotherhood movement — it keeps all the men of all the Brother-

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The State Baptist Brotherhood Convention

By Harry Smallwood, President

The first Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Convention, held on April 1-2 of this year was a decided success, both in attendance and program. We were very fortunate to have men of our state on the program who gave of their time and efforts to prepare messages so as to bring the matter of Kingdom service to the hearts of the Baptist Men of Mississippi.

I feel also that your committee was led of the Spirit to invite Dr. Louie D. Newton, of Atlanta, to be the inspirational speaker for the convention. Men over the state are still talking about his two heart-gripping addresses.

The five hundred men who gathered for this first state Brotherhood Convention have made a great contribution to the future enlistment of laymen in more effective service through our churches.

Goal for Next Session

The date for the next convention has been tentatively set for April 8, 1947. With the men who came last session as a nucleus, we should be able to fill the great First Baptist Church at Jackson at that meeting. Let us all set as a goal the attendance of representatives from every Baptist Church in Mississippi.

Calls for Cooperation

The Lord has called on Christians for time, talents, and money; and I know the men of Mississippi will not fail. I ask that you join hands with Secretary Street and me in giving of time, talents, money and prayer that the Lord may lead and use us in the greater enlistment of Baptist men.

—BR—

BRIEF SUMMARY OF BROTHERHOOD SECRETARY'S FIRST YEAR

Miles traveled	24,309
Sermons preached	190
Churches visited	96
Times presented Brotherhood work	73
Brotherhoods organized	39
Associational territories visited	45
Associational meetings attended	15
Brotherhood associational meetings	7
District meetings attended	9
Revival meetings held	6
Addresses, talks, classes taught, etc.	50

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duties as Director of the School of Sacred Music at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, a year ago, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth. Mr. Carnett will remain at the seminary to assist in the music school until January 1. His successor has not been named.

Despite the campaign for \$3,500,000 for Relief and Rehabilitation, gifts through the Co-operative Program have continued to climb over 1945 during July, August, and September. The Relief and Rehabilitation campaign is still nearly \$500,000 short of total victory.

hoods thinking and praying about the same objectives.

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MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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saints of Webb, This was the first time we had been privileged to worship in their lovely house of worship. A good congregation was present. Both Sumner and Webb have voted to go to full time, and each one has called Brother Campbell so he has a real decision to make. We were delightfully entertained in the home of Brother and Mrs. Dale, Swan Lake.

God graciously blessed our revival efforts at Charleston. Pastor and Mrs. David Cranford are making excellent leaders. The people are responding in a marvelous way. The crowds were unusually large; there were some significant conversions of men and others, sixteen additions in all. They have a great building fund and movement well under way. This is an unusual church situation with fine co-operation on the part of the school and the other churches. We were delightfully entertained in the home of Brother J. Milstead and wife. It was a pleasure also to have a visit in a number of the other homes. Brother Earl Edwards of Baldwin led the singing, and he but added to the very gracious spirit of fellowship and spirituality we found so dominant throughout the week.

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NEW HOPE, SUNFLOWER COUNTY, MOVES FORWARD

New Hope Church, Sunflower County, has been making progress under the leadership of their pastor, Howard Scarborough. There have been twelve additions to the church, with nine of them for baptism. There were 18 rededications.

During the recent revival, in which Dr. Charles Treadway of Cleveland was the visiting evangelist, there were four additions.

The pastor served as principal of the Vacation Bible School. Sixty-seven were enrolled.

A new parsonage has been completed and the pastor and his wife have moved in. Mrs. Scarborough is the former Helen Moffett.—Mrs. Marvin Bibb, Church Clerk.

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The Vacation Bible School at the Good Hope Church in Perry County had an enrollment of 76 and average attendance of 70, with Pastor T. W. Hembree serving with Mrs. George Lassett, Sr., as principal, and the following others: Mrs. T. W. Hembree, Mrs. Ethel Touchstone, Mrs. Hazel Walley, Mrs. Otis Stringer, Miss Eunice Edwards and Mrs. Mabel Hinton. A good commencement program was held on the closing night and much good was done during the school.

The adult Bible class of the Eastside Baptist church has been named the "Reeder Moss" class, in honor of one of the beloved members of the Eastside church. All the work is going along in a fine way.—Bobbie Smith, reporter.

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H. C. BRELAND ORDAINED

The South Laurel Church, J. M. Foy, pastor, ordained its third preacher this year when H. C. Breland was ordained on August 25.

Rev. S. E. Nix brought the charge and the pastor preached the ordination sermon. The ordination prayer was offered by Rev. Huburn Freeman.

The Rev. Breland is second year student at Clarke Memorial College and at present is supplying the pulpit of Bethlehem Church during the illness of their pastor, Rev. R. H. Daniels.

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DISTRICT ONE

District One is comprised of the following counties: Copiah, Hinds, Warren, Holmes, Madison, Rankin, Simpson and Yazoo.

There are at present twelve active Brotherhoods in this district.

The district conference for District One will be held with the Terry Baptist Church, Terry, Rev. Thurman Booth, pastor. The date for the conference is October 28; and the hour is 6:30 p. m. An evening meal will be served by the host church.

Plans are on foot for the organization of associational Brotherhoods in Hinds-Warren and Madison associations.

—HENRY EDMONDS, President.

DISTRICT TWO

There are eight active Brotherhoods in District Two, comprising the following counties: Bolivar, Washington, Sharkey, Issaquena, Humphreys, Leflore, Tunica, Coahoma, Quitman and Sunflower.

Mr. Will Price, of Inverness, was elected president of this district last fall; but ill health forced him to relinquish the duties several months ago. As vice-president, it became my duty to serve as president until the district meeting in 1946.

The district meeting for District Two will be held with the First Baptist Church, Greenville, on November 8. A meal will be served; and the meeting begins at 6:30 p. m. No afternoon session will be held. All churches of the district are asked to send representatives to this meeting; and it would be helpful if each church should notify Dr. E. D. Elliott, pastor, of the number of men who may be expected from each church.

—J. WESLEY MILLER, President.

DISTRICT THREE

The following counties comprise District Three: Calhoun, Carroll, DeSoto, Grenada, Lafayette, Marshall, Montgomery, Panola, Tate, Tallahatchie and Yalobusha.

In this district of eleven counties there are twenty-two functioning Brotherhoods.

Greatly to my regret, I find that I shall have to surrender the place as president. My strength will not permit the necessary work connected with this responsible office.

Our district meeting will be held on November 7, with the First Baptist Church, Water Valley. The meeting will begin at 7:00, and no meal will be served. Men from all the churches in our territory are invited. Rev. T. B. Hawkins, of Argentina, will be our missionary speaker.

DR. IRA B. SEALE, President

DISTRICT FOUR

The Brotherhood work in District Four is gaining momentum daily. There are twelve reported active Brotherhoods, all doing splendid work. Out of the eleven counties in District Four, seven have one or more active Brotherhoods. Praise from the pastors for the good work, forward thinking, and cooperative spirit speaks for itself. The influence of the men of the church behind the whole program of the church is not only being seen but mightily felt. The motto of District Four is still, "If you have a job to be done, give it to the Brotherhood," and from all reports they are not failing. We are expecting the largest attendance and the best program ever when on November 5th, the Brotherhoods of the District, along with all visitors, meet with the First Baptist Church of Tupelo. All in all, it all looks good.

District Four is comprised of the following counties: Alcorn, Benton, Chickasaw, Itawamba, Lee, Monroe, Pontotoc, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishomingo and Union.

—WINFRED MOORE, President.

DISTRICT FIVE

The counties of Choctaw, Clay, Attala, Lowndes, Noxubee, Oktibbeha, Winston and Webster comprise District Five. There are only two active Brotherhoods in this district of which we have records.

We hope for the creation of considerable interest in Brotherhood work in the conference to be held for District Five this fall. This meeting will be held with the First Baptist Church, Columbus, on November 4. A meal will be served at the beginning of the program. The hour is 6:30 p. m.

—H. C. REAVES, President.

DISTRICT SIX

While the work in this district may be regarded as progressing rather slowly, nevertheless, the plow is in the ground, and we feel that preparation is now being made for the doing of great things in the future.

Four new Brotherhoods have been organized in this district within recent months: Stonewall and Quitman in Clarke County, Toombs and First, Meridian, in Lauderdale County, making a total of ten active Brotherhoods in the district.

The Lauderdale County Association will meet at Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church, Meridian, on Friday, October 4, at 7:30 p. m. An interesting program is being planned and we hope that this meeting will stimulate much interest and enable us to report several new Brotherhood organizations with our next report.

Our district meeting is to be held at South Side Baptist Church, Meridian, on November 1, and we are presently promoting that meeting with the hope of enlisting more men from the counties of this district, namely: Clarke, Jasper, Kemper, Lauderdale, Leake, Newton, Neshoba, Scott and Smith, and thereby spreading the Brotherhood work more thoroughly throughout the district.

—LYLE V. COREY, President.

DISTRICT SEVEN

In District Seven, comprised of counties, Covington, Green, George, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jones, Forrest, Lamar, Stone, Pearl River, Perry and Wayne, we now have thirty-six active Brotherhoods (some active in each of the thirteen counties).

The three-pastor-advisory-committee is very cooperative and they, with the other district officers are making plans for the promotion of attendance at the District Brotherhood meeting which will be held at First Baptist Church, Biloxi, October 31, at 6:30.

Reports on one Laymen's Revival at Summerland are good, and the West Laurel Church is planning for one in October, as is the Mt. Olive

Hinds-Warren W.M.U. Meets At Griffith Church, Oct. 8

The Hinds-Warren W. M. U. Association will meet October 8 at 9:45 a.m. with Griffith Memorial church in Jackson.

Dr. G. W. Strother, missionary to China will bring inspirational messages at the morning and the afternoon sessions.

The ladies are asked to bring sandwiches. The host church will furnish drinks.

Baptist Church, the last of October.—Horace Headrick, President.

DISTRICT EIGHT

Sixteen active Brotherhoods are reported in District Eight which comprises the following counties: Adams, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Jefferson Davis, Wilkinson, Amite, Pike, Claiborne and Waltham.

Work in this section of the state is led by Pike County, which has a flourishing associational Brotherhood.

We look forward to our district meeting on October 29. The meeting will be held with the East McComb Church. A meal will be served at 6:30 p. m.

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By Mark Lowry

"I am the God of Bethel, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me" (Gen. 31:13). "Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there; make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother" Gen. 35:1) Our ideas of Bethel come mainly from these, and other, passages in the Book of Genesis.

In a true sense Bethel is anywhere there is an altar and service pleasing to God. Every home should be a Bethel, the seat and center of the life of the family and the landmark to which children may look in retrospect from the varied circumstances of life. The church is Bethel, and should carry the full meaning of Bethel for all its members. It must be the "pillar and ground of the truth" in this age of doubt and conflict.

I have seen Bethel in other places. I shall tell you of Bethel in battle as I have witnessed it. Our anti-aircraft guns were being manned in support of the VI Corps Artillery in the Valley of Venafrò during the first winter in Italy. It was our business to keep the German war planes away for our field artillery. Needless to say, we were having a hot time of it. German shells were constantly exploding about our gun sections.

Our situation, from the point of view of living conditions, was bad. The rain fell almost every day. Mud was deep and often liquid. There were no facilities for bathing or other refreshments and comforts. The men lived for the most part in holes covered by shelter tents near their guns. They were obliged to remain in the area and be ever ready for duty. Some slept while others watched, but all were ready for instant action.

I visited them at their gun positions—thirty-two in number—and gave them what comfort and encouragement I could, holding brief devotional services when possible. They were most responsive to my efforts, and the Lord blessed my ministry with them.

During the autumn and winter several men in one of the sections accepted the Lord Jesus as Saviour. Some in the section were already devout Christians. Thus, the fifteen of the section became a family of brothers in Christ. It mattered not that they were from North, South and West. They had had to learn to work together as a gun crew. Now they were a unit in Christ. It was always an inspiration for me to hold service for that section—as it was for some of the other sections. Although I was often tired from danger and hardship, these men were a source of strength to me.

I was not surprised, therefore, when one day a tall fellow of the section said to me, "Chaplain, we have family devotion every day at our section. Some one always reads the Bible and we have prayer." I was happy! I realized as never before that God can bless his people anywhere, even in the most difficult and trying conditions. Here was Bethel with the family altar in a strange land among alien people under worse conditions than Jacob ever knew.

If Bethel is possible in battle and

Arkansas Baptists May Take Steps Toward Parochial Schools

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., —(RNS)—Arkansas Baptist leaders have suggested that the denomination may soon take steps toward parochial schools, and their first action in the matter is a recommendation to the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, meeting at Texarkana, November 19-21, that Central College at Conway incorporate the 11th and 12th grades of secondary education into its curriculum.

The recommendation also provides that the 60-year-old institution, only girls school in Arkansas, be made coeducational with the beginning of the second semester of the 1946-47 term. The school has a standard junior college status. Central trustees pointed out that continuation as a

girls school is increasingly difficult and predicted the school's early death unless coeducation status is offered.

The recommendations will carry the endorsement of the Executive Board of the Convention which approved the matter in its annual budget-planning session here.

The Board also completed, revamped and correlated the state missions set-up with the aim of reaching "every nook and cranny of the state with the Baptist message," voted to recommend to the Convention that Baptist State Hospital at Little Rock be authorized to borrow \$750,000 for enlargement, and outlined a \$395,472 denominational program for 1947, a ten percent increase over current operations.

Texas Baptists Plan Expansion

DALLAS, Texas, —(RNS)—Texas Baptists for the fiscal year beginning Nov. 1 have incorporated into their budget \$4,000,000 for missionary work, over \$700,000 more than was allocated for the current year.

The action was taken by the state executive board of the denomination, and while it must be approved by the next convention, scheduled for Mineral Wells, Nov. 12 to 15, submission of the recommendation by the board is tantamount to approval.

The board also considered literature which will be distributed to the 3,300 churches in the state outlining a church budgeting plan.

A \$900,000 expansion program was approved for Baylor University in WACO; \$750,000 for a chapel, a memorial building, and additional dormitory space at Hardin-Simmons in Abilene.

The board also completed plans for a State Mission Week of Prayer for mid-October in which a \$100,000 offering will be asked for the rehabilitation of rural churches.

Pastors Told They Must Face Problems of Modern Age

CHICAGO—(RNS)—The modern age, "will not tolerate the preacher who stands with his tongue in cheek, leans first on one foot and then on the other as he apologizes for everything that is omnipotent in God," the Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo, pastor of the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, New York City, told more than 300 religious leaders attending the 15th annual Pastors Institute and Educational Conference here at the University of Chicago.

The preacher who would take his place in the world today must know "his age, its dilemmas, uncertainties and aspirations," Dr. Sizoo said.

"Our age is suffering from moral instability—the world is taking a moral tailspin. Around it lies an inordinate display of wealth, an increase in crimes of violence, the appalling evidences of juvenile delinquency and the practices of expediency on a national scale.

"This age is suffering from a new kind of frontier—a frontier of fear, hate, suspicion and power, with which Christian ministers must come to grips."

becomes the gate of heaven there, it is practical in our homes and churches. Let us arise, and go to Bethel, and dwell there; and build there an altar to our God! Amen.

Urges Religious Radio Programs For Teen-Agers

RIDGECREST, N. C. —(RNS)—Development of teen-age programs which provide spiritual guidance is the current challenge to radio and religious leaders, according to J. Leonard Reinsch, radio adviser to President Truman and director of the James M. Cox radio stations.

In an address to the Southern Baptist Radio conference here, Mr. Reinsch said the major religious appeal in radio has been to the church-going adult who least needs help. He added that stimulating radio programs with a religious theme which would attract the interest of alert teen-agers would help solve the juvenile delinquency problem.

Mr. Reinsch also urged that religious programs be broadened to reach the "unchurched." He said church attendance could be increased with the proper use of radio just as attendance at athletic events has been increased.

Southwestern Seminary Has Largest Enrollment

Ralph D. Churchill, Public Director The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary has registered 1069 resident students to make the largest enrollment in its 39 years history. This is an increase of 136 over last year's enrollment of 933. These students come from 33 states and two foreign countries.

Class rooms and dormitories are crowded beyond capacity. In the words of Dr. E. D. Head, president, "We do not have classes. We have congregations". This presents a tremendous challenge to Southern Baptists to adequately provide for those who knock at the seminary's doors for admittance.

NEW YORK—(RNS)—A \$50,000 grant for work among displaced persons in Europe has been made by the Northern Baptist Convention, it was announced here by the Rev. Quintin Lightner, chairman of the denomination's World Relief Committee. The allocation will be administered through Church World Service, joint Protestant relief agency; the Baptist World Alliance, and the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Northern Baptists also will establish a home for orphans in Poland. A fund of \$30,000 has been allotted to begin its work. Administration of the project will be in charge of Dr. Edwin A. Bell, European representative of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

Church Council Sets Up Film Library

LOUISVILLE, Ky., —(RNS)—A motion picture library has been created here by the Louisville Council of Churches with churches participating upon payment of a membership fee. All films in the library are available to members, and new films are shown every month at a preview performance. Officials of the Council estimate that 40 Protestant churches here have motion picture projectors.

Protestantism Seen To Face Greatest Opportunity Since Reformation

GENEVA (By Wireless to RNS)—Protestantism in Europe "faces its greatest opportunity since the Reformation," according to four representatives of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., who have arrived here after a six-weeks' tour of Great Britain, Holland, France, Belgium, Germany, and Switzerland.

Named by the denomination's Board of Foreign Missions to make a firsthand study of relief and reconstruction needs in Europe, the quartet of two clergymen and two laymen consisted of The Rev. Lester H. Clee, Newark, N. J.; Dr. F. Paul McConkey, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Albert G. Parker, Jr., Hanover, Ind.; and George M. Kirk, Pueblo, Col. They left New York by plane early in June.

"All the Protestant leaders of Europe are convinced," Mr. Clee said, "that if the church can revitalize the people, it will contribute much to political and economic life."

Mr. Kirk declared that the church, through its efforts to meet material needs in Europe, has been "the most important factor in the wedding of economics and religion."

All members of the group agreed that food, clothing and shelter represent Europe's greatest current need, especially in Germany. According to Dr. McConkey, there is also a vital need for "barracks" churches as temporary means to accommodate congregations whose buildings have been destroyed. He said the American group visited one of these substitute churches in Germany and found it so well attended that three services have had to be scheduled every Sunday.

LIBRARY OF RELIGIOUS BOOKS PRAISED

A small religious library was opened this spring at the factory in which I am employed. Some predicted that these books would not be read, but under the sponsorship of Rev. C. S. Wales, Blue Mountain, we opened with 95 books. One hundred four books were checked out the first month.

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The church at Louise is a staunch supporter of the Baptist Record. The latest evidence is a renewal list of 77 names sent by Mrs. Joyce James.